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## INTRODUCTION.

### SCOPE OF THE REPORT.

This report was prepared under the provisions of the permanent census act, approved March 6, 1902, as amended by the act of June 7, 1906. Its purpose is to present statistics of the number of organizations, members, etc., of the different religious denominations of the country and to give, in addition, a review of their historical origin and development, their doctrine, polity, and their missionary, educational, and philanthropic activities. The statistics relate, as near as may be, to the close of the calendar year 1916, and were collected for each local church organization; they include, in addition to membership, church edifices, value of church property and debt on same, value of parsonages, expenditures, and Sunday schools; languages used in conducting church services; and some special statistics regarding missionary activities and ministers and their compensation. There is no attempt to present or measure the intangible features of church life or to estimate their value; nor does the report touch, except incidentally, those activities which, although conducted by church people and having sympathetic relation with church organizations, are not under the direct control of those organizations. Among these are such organizations as the Young Men's Christian Association, the Young Women's Christian Association, the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and others; the American Bible Society, the American Tract Society, etc. These have been omitted, not from any failure to recognize the character of their work, but because the scope of the report is specifically limited, as in 1906, to organizations for religious worship, each of which has a separate and distinct membership.

There are certain cults which, while claiming a number of adherents, are not so organized as to make their presentation as religious bodies permissible. Among these the strongest is undoubtedly what is known as "New Thought," which has an international association, with headquarters at Washington, D. C., and claims large numbers of adherents. There are a number of local "centers," but neither these nor the general body have any distinctive membership, most if not all of the individuals connected with them being identified, more or less closely, with existing church organizations. Another body, known as the "Mil-

lenial Dawn," has a number of "meetings" in different parts of the country, as have also the "Russellites," or followers of Pastor Russell, but in neither case was it feasible to obtain any definite statistics. Inquiries have been made of the bureau in regard to the "Holy Rollers," and an effort was made to identify them with specific organizations. It seems probable that the term applies to certain congregations whose members display physical manifestations in their services, similar to those exhibited by some religious bodies in the latter part of the eighteenth and early part of the nineteenth centuries, and which attract public notice for a time, but gradually subside into more normal ways of church life.

The investigation for 1916 was limited to continental United States, and does not include statistics of organizations in outlying possessions or in foreign lands.

In connection with the preparation of the schedules to be used in this religious census, conferences were held with a special committee of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, appointed to cooperate with the bureau, and with a representative of the Roman Catholic Church, and the suggestions made at these conferences were most helpful to the bureau in determining the extent and form of the inquiries to be made. Two schedules were used, as follows:

### SCHEDULE FOR LOCAL CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.

1. Denomination.
2. Division (conference, diocese, district, etc.).
3. Local name of church (in full).
4. Location (state, county, city, town, village, or township, etc.).
5. Members (total number, males and females; under 13 years of age).
6. Date of organization of local church.
7. Language or languages used in church services.
8. Number of church edifices.
9. Other buildings used for church work.
10. Value of church property (church edifices, residence of pastor, and other buildings, if owned and used by church).
11. Debt on church property (church edifices, other buildings).
12. Expended by church during past year (running expenses, repairs or improvements, benevolences, all other expenses).
13. Sunday schools conducted by local church (schools, officers and teachers, scholars, male, female; scholars who are church members).

(Instructions for filling the schedule were printed on the reverse side and space was provided for the name, official title, and address of the person filling it out.)

## SCHEDULE FOR MINISTERS.

1. Name of minister, priest, or rabbi.
2. Denominational connection.
3. Location (state, county, city, town, village, or township, etc.; post-office address, if different).
4. Name, location, and denomination of the churches which you are now serving.
5. State whether pastor, associate or assistant pastor, supply, emeritus, retired, etc.
6. Total amount of salary received during the past year for church service.
7. If in other than pastoral or preaching service, state occupation and position.
8. Date of ordination.
9. Date of entrance on present pastorate.
10. Age at last birthday.
11. State whether graduate of college or of theological school.

The schedule inquiries of 1916 did not differ greatly from those of 1906, the first census of religious bodies taken under the permanent census organization. Inquiries were added in 1916 as to the number of members under 13 years of age; the sex of Sunday school scholars, and the number who were church members; the number of buildings other than church edifices used for church work, with their value and debt; and the amount of church expenditures for the year. The inquiry as to the seating capacity of church edifices was omitted in 1916, and, as specified above, a separate schedule was used for ministers.

The two censuses of 1916 and 1906 were much more comprehensive than that of 1890, with which comparisons, so far as available, are made in this report. The inquiries in 1890 were as follows: Organizations; church edifices and seating capacity; halls, school-houses, etc., and seating capacity; value of church property; and communicants or members. A statement was also requested in 1890 as to the number of ministers in each denomination as a whole. No statistics are available for 1880, as the tabulations made of church and Sunday school statistics collected at that census were not completed. At the censuses of 1850, 1860, and 1870 a few inquiries were made concerning churches by denominations, and the results are presented in a summary on page 24.

## METHODS OF COLLECTING DATA.

*Statistics of churches.*—The statistics of churches for this report were gathered mainly by correspondence with the local church organizations, generally through the pastor or clerk. The lists of church organizations were obtained, wherever possible, from yearbooks, minutes, almanacs, or other denominational publications; or, lacking these, from officials or other persons well acquainted with the denominations for which lists were being sought. For independent churches, including federated or union churches, the list of 1906 was used as a basis, and further investigation was made by examining city directories, and through requests to pastors of churches or to denominational officers for the names and addresses of such churches.

A card schedule, containing the various items of inquiry, was sent to each church organization on the lists, together with brief instructions concerning it, a general circular letter, and a return penalty envelope which required no payment of postage. When, through faulty address or for other cause, these schedules were returned unclaimed, other means, varying according to conditions, were employed to reach the churches. If after a reasonable time no reply was received, a reminder was sent, followed, in case of necessity, by a second reminder inclosing a second schedule. Where these failed, special letters were sent to denominational officers, home missionary superintendents, or others, and as a last resort such published statistics as were available were accepted. If all means of securing the desired information failed, the churches were dropped from the lists.

In the case of some loosely organized denominations or denominations largely foreign in their membership, special agents were appointed, who, through official position or personal familiarity with conditions, were able to supplement the correspondence or conduct the entire work of collecting the statistics.

The statistics were collected by special agents for 68 denominations, including 4 bodies of Plymouth Brethren, Churches of Christ, 6 Eastern Orthodox Churches, Jewish congregations, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, the Mennonite bodies, Salvation Army, Volunteers of America, and a number of minor Baptist bodies. For 10 denominations the statistics were collected partly by correspondence and partly by special agents. Among these were the Southern Baptist Convention, the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, Synod for the Norwegian Lutheran Church, Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, and the United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution). For certain of the Negro bodies, also, the returns were finally completed through a personal canvass by clerks sent out from the Census Bureau.

Of the 227,487 schedules secured from all churches, 62.7 per cent were secured through correspondence, 30 per cent partly through correspondence and partly through special agents, and 7.3 per cent through special agents alone.

*Statistics of ministers.*—The statistics of ministers were gathered by sending a card schedule to the ministers direct. The lists of ministers, with addresses, were obtained in most cases, as in the case of the churches, from various denominational publications.

*Statistics of undenominational and union Sunday schools.*—These statistics were compiled for the Bureau of the Census by the International Sunday School Association, of Chicago, Ill.

*Statistics of activities.*—The statistics for the missionary, educational, and philanthropic activities of the churches were obtained partly by correspondence and partly from published reports of the denominational societies, and are thus on a different basis

from the statistics of benevolences included in the item of expenditures on the church schedule. It was found necessary to limit the sources of information to the organized societies and in some instances to combine the returns for two or more of these societies. Questionnaires were sent out and these returns were frequently supplemented by further correspondence and by the examination of published reports.

*History, doctrine, etc.*—The statements of history, doctrine, polity, and work for those denominations that have come into existence since 1906 were furnished for the most part by prominent persons, usually officials in the denominations, in accordance with a general outline covering the specific points to be set forth under each head. They were reviewed in the office and supplemented, when necessary, by further correspondence and investigation. For those denominations included in the census of 1906, the statements published at that census were submitted to some persons in the respective denominations who were competent to pass upon them, for correction or such additional statement as was needed to indicate the development during the decade.

#### CONDUCT OF THE WORK.

For the collection of the statistics of religious bodies there was prepared a card catalogue of churches (about 230,000) and one of ministers (over 150,000). There were printed 800,000 schedules (450,000 for churches and 350,000 for ministers), 700,000 circular letters, over 1,500,000 envelopes (outgoing and return), and several hundred thousand special notices and letters used for different denominations, forms for reminders and subordinate inquiries, and questionnaires, etc., for special agents.

The schedules, when received, were checked to the card catalogue and then examined as to fullness or consistency of report, and, where necessary, correspondence was had with those making incomplete or inconsistent reports, due often, in the latter case, to a misinterpretation of the inquiry. Schedules for each denomination, when ready for tabulation, were classified by geographical area (states, counties, cities) under each ecclesiastical division, and the transcription sheets, to which the answers on each schedule were finally transferred, form the basis of the tables presented in this report. The first church schedules were mailed on January 4, 1917, and at the end of June completed schedules had been received for more than half (56.7 per cent) of all the church organizations; at the end of October for more than four-fifths, and at the end of the calendar year 1917 for all but about 3 per cent; but, because of the desire to have a full and correct census of religious bodies, the collection was continued until the end of March, 1918. As a result of this effort, although some churches failed to make returns as requested, the statistics herein presented may be said to constitute a sub-

stantially complete report for each and all of the denominations represented.

#### DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED.

In the conduct of the work, both in the collection of the statistics and the interpretation of the schedules, certain difficulties were encountered which deserve special mention.

First, was the lack of accurate and complete lists of churches or ministers. In even the best-organized bodies published lists were not infrequently found to be unreliable, churches that had become dead or dormant were still carried on the rolls, while changes of address were innumerable.

Second, the failure of pastors or clerks and even of denominational officers to reply promptly. The situation in this respect was better than in 1906, but the fact that over 175,000 reminders were sent out to churches and to ministers, and that the collection of the schedules covered a period of 15 months, as just explained, indicates the extent to which dilatoriness in reply hampered the work of the bureau.

Third, the unwillingness of many to make replies to the inquiries. A considerable number of churches protested against the inquiries, claiming that the United States Government had no constitutional authority to make any investigation in regard to religious matters, and one denomination refused to furnish any figures, whatever. In most cases an explanation of the situation brought a response, but this required considerable correspondence and involved no little delay.

Fourth, failure to answer some of the inquiries, and inconsistencies in the answers to others, which had to be supplied or corrected before the transcription work could be done. This omission or inconsistency was due in some cases to a misunderstanding of the inquiry or to a misinterpretation of the instruction concerning it, but in either event it necessitated a comparison with published statistics whenever available, or if not, correspondence concerning it. The returns as to the "date of organization of local church," "other buildings used for church work" (number, value, and debt), and the "number of Sunday school scholars who are church members" showed considerable misapprehension as to the meaning of the questions, and, as they were of somewhat minor importance, they are not included in the tabular presentations. The returns for sex distribution of Sunday school scholars were also too incomplete to be presented.

#### PLAN OF THE REPORT.

The report on religious bodies is published in 2 volumes. Part I consists of 14 general tables, of which 10 present statistics by denominations for the United States, states, counties, and cities, and 4 present statistics for those denominations composed wholly or in part of Negro organizations. These



general tables are preceded by a textual discussion of the various items of inquiry, such as church organizations, church members, value of property, etc., by denominations; also, the statistics of ministers in their relation to church work and their compensation; a presentation of the languages used in church services; and a summary of the work or general missionary, educational, and philanthropic activities of the denominations. It also contains summarized statistics of all denominations for states, counties, and cities and a summary of the statistics of Negro organizations. Part II presents, for each denomination separately, a statement of its history, doctrine, polity, and work, a brief summary and review of the principal statistics of the denomination, and a full presentation of the statistics by states, and by ecclesiastical divisions where they exist.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF RELIGIOUS BODIES.

Any satisfactory classification of religious bodies is extremely difficult if not impossible. A strictly alphabetical arrangement is impracticable. The grouping by denominational families, so far as is possible, is convenient for reference, but is misleading statistically, as there are many Baptist bodies which do not bear the name Baptist, and the terms Catholic, Methodist, Presbyterian, etc., are by no means inclusive; also, new affiliations or separations are constantly taking place, while names formerly accepted become inappropriate and even those most widely used are challenged.

It has seemed best in this report to retain the arrangement of single denominations and denominational families adopted in previous reports and in practical use by religious bodies, but to omit from the tables all family totals and to present statistics for each body independently.

The total number of denominations listed in this report is 202. The Church of Christ (Scientist) refused to furnish any statistics and, although a few individual organizations responded, it was decided to omit the body from the list of denominations. Of the 202 denominations, 158 are grouped in 24 families and 44 are listed as separate denominations. Contrasted with the 188 denominations reported in 1906 (counting the 3 Baptist conventions as separate denominations), this represents a net gain of 14 denominations, there being a loss of 17 and an addition of 31 denominations. Changes in families have resulted in the dropping of 5 family names and the addition of 2. Statistics are presented for only 200 denominations, as it was impossible to obtain from the Chinese temples satisfactory reports either as to number of organizations or members, and for the "Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society," reported as one organization, no statistics could be obtained.

*Changes in names of denominations.*—The following tabular statement shows the denominations that have had a change in name since 1906:

NAME IN 1916.	NAME IN 1906.
American Rescue Workers.....	American Salvation Army.
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	United American Free Will Baptists (Colored).
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship.	Church of the Living God (Christian Workers for Friendship).
Church of the Living God, General Assembly.	Church of the Living God, Apostolic Church.
Christian Church (American Christian Convention).	Christians (Christian Connection).
Church of the Brethren (Conservative Dunkers).	German Baptist Brethren (Conservative).
Congregational Churches.....	Congregationalists.
Pillar of Fire.....	Pentecostal Union Church.
International Apostolic Holiness Church.	International Apostolic Holiness Union.
Hutterian Brethren.....	Bruderhof Mennonite Church.
Old Order Amish Mennonite Church.....	Old Amish Mennonite Church.
Old Order Mennonite Church (Wisler).	Old (Wisler) Mennonite Church.
Mennonite Brethren Church of North America.	Schellenberger Bruder-Gemeinde.
Central Conference of Mennonites.....	Central Illinois Conference of Mennonites.
Conference of Defenseless Mennonites of North America.	Nebraska and Minnesota Conference of Mennonites.
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.	Associate Reformed Synod of the South.
Polish National Catholic Church of America.	Polish National Church of America.
Swedish Evangelical Free Church.....	Swedish Evangelical Free Mission.
Theosophical Society.....	Theosophical Society in America.

*Denominations consolidated since 1906.*—The following nine denominations reported in 1906 have been consolidated with other denominations<sup>1</sup>:

NAME OF DENOMINATION.	DENOMINATION WITH WHICH UNITED.
Church of the Living God, Church of Christ in God.	Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship.
Gospel Mission.....	Christian and Missionary Alliance.
German Evangelical Protestant Ministers' Association.	Evangelical Protestant Church of North America.
German Evangelical Protestant Ministers' Conference.	Different Lutheran synods.
German Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Texas.	Different Lutheran synods.
Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Michigan and Other States.	Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of America.
Slovak Evangelical Lutheran Synod of America.	The Mennonite Church.
Amish Mennonite Church.....	Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, General Synod.
Reformed Presbyterian Church in the United States and Canada.	

*New denominations.*—Of the 31 denominations listed in 1916 for the first time, 3 are the result of divisions in existing bodies; 4 are reorganizations of existing bodies; 5 were in existence before 1906 but were not then reported; 5 are the result of immigration, and 14 are newly organized bodies, having no special relation to previously existing bodies, though the individual church organizations had some denominational connection. The full explanation in each case is given in connection with the historical statement for the denomination in Part II. The lists are as follows:

DENOMINATIONS FORMED BY DIVISION FROM EXISTING BODIES.	DENOMINATIONS FROM WHICH WITHDRAWN.
Brethren, Plymouth, V.....	Brethren, Plymouth, III.
Brethren, Plymouth, VI.....	Brethren, Plymouth, IV.
Progressive Spiritual Church.....	Spiritualists.
DENOMINATIONS FORMED BY REORGANIZATION OF EXISTING BODIES.	DENOMINATIONS FROM WHICH ORGANIZED.
Evangelical Protestant Church of North America.	German Evangelical Protestant Ministers' Association.
Conservative Amish Mennonite Church.	German Evangelical Protestant Ministers' Conference.
Kleine Gemeinde.....	Other Mennonite bodies.
Stauffer Mennonites.....	

<sup>1</sup> The Norwegian Lutheran Church of America (organized from the Norwegian Synod, the United Norwegian Church, and Hauge's Synod) and the United Lutheran Church (formed by a union of the General Synod, the United Synod, South, and the General Council) are not included in this statement, as the reorganizations did not become effective until after the collection of the statistics.

## Denominations existing before 1906, but not reported:

Regular Baptists.  
 Church of God (New Dunkers).  
 Colored Methodist Protestant Church.  
 African American Methodist Episcopal Church.  
 Old Roman Catholic Church.

## Denominations added through immigration:

Eastern Orthodox Churches—  
 Albanian Orthodox Church.  
 Bulgarian Orthodox Church.  
 Rumanian Orthodox Church.  
 Jacobite Church (Assyrian).  
 Lithuanian National Catholic Church.

## Newly organized denominations:

Assemblies of God, General Council.  
 Christian and Missionary Alliance.  
 Church of the Universal Messianic Message.  
 Churches of the Living God—  
 Church of the Living God.  
 Churches of God, General Assembly.  
 Evangelistic associations—  
 Apostolic Church.  
 Church of God as Organized by Christ.  
 Church Transcendent.

## Holiness Church.

Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren Churches.

Old Catholic Churches in America—

American Catholic Church.

Catholic Church of North America.

Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Norwegian-Danish Free Church.

*Denominations reported in 1906, omitted in 1916.—*

Of the 17 denominations presented in the report for 1906 and omitted from this report, 7 were dropped from the list, since, so far as can be learned, organic denominational existence has ceased. Some individual churches formerly connected with these bodies are included with the Independent churches. These 7 bodies are:

Evangelical Adventists.

Churches of God (Adventist), Unattached Congregations.

Christian Catholic Church in Zion.

Christian Israelite Church.

Heavenly Recruit Church.

Reformed Presbyterian Church (Covenanted).

Reformed Catholic Church.

*Changes in denominational families.*—The family name of Swedish Evangelical bodies was changed to Scandinavian Evangelical bodies on account of the addition of the Norwegian-Danish Free Church since 1906. Other changes in families since 1906 are as follows:

NAME OF FAMILY IN 1906.	REASON FOR OMISSION IN 1916.
Catholic Apostolic Churches.....	Preference of some of the constituent bodies to be considered unrelated denominations. Limitation of the term Evangelical to two bodies considered inappropriate. Union of constituent denominations in one body.
Disciples or Christians.....	
Salvationists.....	
Evangelical bodies.....	
German Evangelical Protestant bodies..	
NAME OF FAMILY.	OCCASION FOR FORMATION.
Old Catholic Churches in America.....	Organization of three churches of this type, one previous to 1906 but not then reported, and two since that date. Organization of Progressive Spiritual Church since 1906.
Spiritualists.....	

## LIST OF DENOMINATIONS FOR 1916.

The list of denominations as finally adopted for 1916 is as follows:

## Adventist bodies:

Advent Christian Church.  
 Seventh-day Adventist Denomination.  
 Church of God (Adventist).  
 Life and Advent Union.  
 Churches of God in Christ Jesus.

American Rescue Workers.

Armenian Church.

Assemblies of God, General Council.

Bahais.

## Baptist bodies:

## Baptists—

Northern Baptist Convention.  
 Southern Baptist Convention.  
 National Baptist Convention.

General Six Principle Baptists.

Seventh Day Baptists.

Free Baptists.

Free Will Baptists.

Colored Free Will Baptists.

Free Will Baptists (Bullockites).

General Baptists.

Separate Baptists.

Regular Baptists.

United Baptists.

Duck River and Kindred Associations of Baptists (Baptist Church of Christ).

Primitive Baptists.

Colored Primitive Baptists.

Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Predestinarian Baptists.

## Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):

Church of the Brethren (Conservative Dunkers).

Old Order German Baptist Brethren.

The Brethren Church (Progressive Dunkers).

German Seventh Day Baptists.

Church of God (New Dunkers).

## Brethren, Plymouth:

Brethren, Plymouth, I.

Brethren, Plymouth, II.

Brethren, Plymouth, III.

Brethren, Plymouth, IV.

Brethren, Plymouth, V.

Brethren, Plymouth, VI.

## Brethren, River:

Brethren in Christ.

Old Order or Yorker Brethren.

United Zion's Children.

## Buddhists:

Chinese temples.

Japanese temples.

Catholic Apostolic Church.

Christadelphians.

Christian and Missionary Alliance.

Christian Church (American Christian Convention).

Christian Union.

Church of God and Saints of Christ.

Church of the Universal Messianic Message.

Churches of Christ.

Churches of God, General Assembly.

Churches of God in North America, General Eldership of the.

Churches of the Living God:

Church of the Living God.

Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship.

Church of the Living God, General Assembly.

## Churches of the New Jerusalem:

General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America.

General Church of the New Jerusalem.

## Communitistic societies:

Amana Society.

United Society of Believers (Shakers).

## Congregational Churches.

Disciples of Christ.

## Eastern Orthodox Churches:

Albanian Orthodox Church.

Bulgarian Orthodox Church.

Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).

Rumanian Orthodox Church.

Russian Orthodox Church.

Serbian Orthodox Church.

Syrian Orthodox Church.

## Evangelical Association.

Evangelical Protestant Church of North America.

## Evangelistic associations:

Apostolic Church.

Apostolic Christian Church.

Apostolic Faith Movement.

Christian Congregation.

Church of Daniel's Band.

Church of God as Organized by Christ.

Church Transcendent.

Hephzibah Faith Missionary Association.

Lumber River Mission.

Metropolitan Church Association.

Missionary Church Association.

Peniel Missions.

Pentecost Bands of the World.

Pillar of Fire.

Voluntary Missionary Society in America.

Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.

## Friends:

Society of Friends (Orthodox).

Religious Society of Friends (Hicksite).

Orthodox Conservative Friends (Wilburite).

Friends (Primitive).

German Evangelical Synod of North America.

Holiness Church.

Independent churches.

International Apostolic Holiness Church.

Jacobite Church (Assyrian).

Jewish congregations.

## Latter Day Saints:

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.

Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Lithuanian National Catholic Church.

## Lutheran bodies:

General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America.

United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South.

General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of America.

Norwegian Lutheran Church of America—

Hauge's Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

Synod for the Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church of America.

United Norwegian Lutheran Church in America.

Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States.

Lutheran Synod of Buffalo.

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Eielsen's Synod.

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and Other States.

## Lutheran bodies—Continued.

Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Icelandic Evangelical Lutheran Synod in North America.

Immanuel Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America.

Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, or Suomi Synod.

Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).

United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Finnish Evangelical Lutheran National Church.

Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish).

Church of the Lutheran Brethren of America (Norwegian).

Evangelical Lutheran Jehovah Conference.

## Mennonite bodies:

Mennonite Church.

Hutterian Brethren.

Conservative Amish Mennonite Church.

Old Order Amish Mennonite Church.

Church of God in Christ (Mennonite).

Old Order Mennonite Church (Wisler).

Reformed Mennonite Church.

General Conference of Mennonites of North America.

Defenseless Mennonites.

Mennonite Brethren in Christ.

Mennonite Brethren Church of North America.

Krimmer Brueder-Gemeinde.

Kleine Gemeinde.

Central Conference of Mennonites.

Conference of the Defenseless Mennonites of North America.

Stauffer Mennonites.

## Methodist bodies:

Methodist Episcopal Church.

Methodist Protestant Church.

Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America.

Primitive Methodist Church in the United States of America.

Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Congregational Methodist Church.

Free Methodist Church of North America.

New Congregational Methodist Church.

African Methodist Episcopal Church.

African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.

Colored Methodist Protestant Church.

Union American Methodist Episcopal Church.

African Union Methodist Protestant Church.

Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.

Reformed Zion Union Apostolic Church.

African American Methodist Episcopal Church.

Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal Church.

## Moravian bodies:

Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).

Evangelical Union of Bohemian and Moravian Brethren in North America.

Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren Churches.

## New Apostolic Church.

Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith.

Old Catholic Churches in America:

Old Roman Catholic Church.

American Catholic Church.

Catholic Church of North America.

Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.

Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Polish National Catholic Church of America.

## Presbyterian bodies:

Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Church.

United Presbyterian Church of North America.

## Presbyterian bodies—Continued.

Presbyterian Church in the United States.  
Associate Synod of North America (Associate Presbyterian Church).

Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church.  
Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.  
Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, General Synod.

Protestant Episcopal Church.

## Reformed bodies:

Reformed Church in America.  
Reformed Church in the United States.  
Christian Reformed Church,  
Hungarian Reformed Church in America.

Reformed Episcopal Church.

Roman Catholic Church.

Salvation Army.

## Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:

Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant of America.  
Swedish Evangelical Free Church.  
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.

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Schwenkfelders.

Social Brethren.

Society for Ethical Culture.

## Spiritualists:

Spiritualists (National Spiritualists' Association).

Progressive Spiritual Church.

Temple Society in the United States (Friends of the Temple).

## Theosophical societies:

Theosophical Society.

Theosophical Society, New York.

Theosophical Society, American Section.

Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society.

## Unitarians.

## United Brethren bodies:

Church of the United Brethren in Christ.

Church of the United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).

United Evangelical Church.

## Universalists.

Vedanta Society.

Volunteers of America.

# SUMMARY OF RESULTS.

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

This volume of the report on religious bodies presents statistical tables with textual discussion of the same. As stated in the Introduction, these statistics were collected from the local church organizations of the different denominations and present facts concerning the number of such organizations, their membership, church edifices, value of church property, debt on church property, parsonages, expenditures, and Sunday schools. Additional information, not comprised in the general tables, is presented concerning the languages used in church services, the status and compensation of ministers, and the general missionary and benevolent activities of the denominations.

The investigation relates to continental United States only, and does not extend to any outlying possessions. The figures in general represent conditions at the close of the year 1916. In some cases, however, where the financial or ecclesiastical year covered a portion of both 1916 and 1917, report for such period was accepted. For the most part the figures are from definite church records, though where, as in loosely organized bodies, such records were not available, persons making the reports were permitted to give estimates.

It will be noted that the tables present no totals for the family groups. As stated in the Introduction, the classification by families is made for convenience of reference and on account of its acceptance and general use by denominations, but the constituent bodies of a family are not regarded as having the organic or corporate unity that would give the totals statistical significance.

Table 1 gives a summary of the more important items reported for the different denominations. It shows the total number of local church organizations in each body, the total membership, the number of church edifices, the value of church property, and the debt, the value of parsonages, the amount of expenditures reported by local organizations, and the number of Sunday schools and Sunday-school scholars. Certain items, as sex distribution of membership, number of places of worship other than church edifices, number of Sunday-school officers and teachers, and the number of organizations reporting each item, are not presented in this table, but will be found in Table 60, page 142.

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL STATISTICS, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	Number of members reported. <sup>1</sup>	Number of church edifices reported. <sup>1</sup>	CHURCH PROPERTY.		Value of parsonages reported. <sup>1</sup>	Amount of expenditures reported. <sup>1</sup>	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	
				Value reported. <sup>1</sup>	Debt reported. <sup>1</sup>			Number reported. <sup>1</sup>	Number of scholars reported.
All denominations.....	227,487	41,926,854	203,432	\$1,676,600,582	\$164,864,899	\$218,846,096	\$328,809,999	194,759	19,935,890
Adventist bodies:									
Advent Christian Church.....	535	30,597	418	1,188,070	95,970	143,050	274,446	383	21,007
Seventh-day Adventist Denomination.....	2,011	79,355	1,231	2,568,495	209,154	20,450	1,887,772	1,929	74,863
Church of God (Adventist).....	22	848	8	8,200			2,353		
Life and Advent Union.....	13	658	8	41,600	12,250		8,996	9	439
Churches of God in Christ Jesus.....	87	3,457	52	78,870	1,290	4,050	13,016	55	2,493
American Rescue Workers.....	29	611	2	1,900	25		22,682	13	438
Armenian Church.....	34	27,450	10	142,500	31,300		32,440	7	665
Assemblies of God, General Council.....	118	6,703	63	101,779	12,460	7,021	61,941	81	4,379
Bahais.....	57	2,884	1	1,273			6,877	4	123
Baptist bodies:									
Baptists—									
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,159	1,232,135	3,195	94,644,133	7,302,769	8,325,422	16,082,462	8,188	1,028,952
Southern Baptist Convention.....	23,627	2,708,870	19,770	58,348,373	3,153,153	4,471,683	15,063,743	18,162	1,665,996
National Baptist Convention.....	21,113	2,938,579	20,146	41,184,920	3,433,366	964,325	8,361,919	20,099	1,181,270
General Six Principle Baptists.....	10	456	11	25,850		3,000	2,483	6	276
Seventh Day Baptists.....	68	7,980	62	307,600	2,150	96,200	67,695	66	5,005
Free Baptists.....	171	12,570	159	670,726	19,846	106,650	123,363	147	11,642
Free Will Baptists.....	750	54,833	656	517,240	6,260	9,630	75,835	396	22,421
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	170	13,382	164	178,385	9,525		36,647	90	4,168
Free Will Baptists (Bullockites).....	12	184	6	3,450			275	1	12
General Baptists.....	518	33,466	390	421,837	17,362	11,100	64,698	305	18,545
Separate Baptists.....	46	4,254	41	47,565	110		9,468	30	1,711
Regular Baptists.....	401	21,521	192	141,480	1,462	3,100	11,855	50	2,587
United Baptists.....	264	22,097	82	52,147	20		4,837	17	701
Duck River and Kindred Associations of Baptists (Baptist Church of Christ).....	105	6,872	51	40,600			2,518	8	399
Primitive Baptists.....	2,143	80,511	1,697	1,601,807	12,053	14,900	96,270		
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	336	16,144	236	154,690	8,507	13,940	22,881	88	3,201
Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Predestinarian Baptists.....	55	679	37	23,950			170		
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):									
Church of the Brethren (Conservative Dunkers).....	999	105,102	1,340	3,990,898	129,705	160,300	705,725	1,279	111,686
Old Order German Baptist Brethren.....	67	3,399	73	107,212			7,120		
The Brethren Church (Progressive Dunkers).....	203	24,080	102	890,725	114,289	67,250	204,562	193	23,728
German Seventh Day Baptists.....	5	136	3	33,000		2,000	1,980	3	152
Church of God (New Dunkers).....	13	929	13	28,000			5,243	12	799

<sup>1</sup> For number of organizations reporting, in each principal denomination, see Table 2; for all denominations, see Table 60, p. 142.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL STATISTICS, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	Number of members reported. <sup>1</sup>	Number of churches and places reported. <sup>1</sup>	CHURCH PROPERTY.		Value of parsonages reported. <sup>1</sup>	Amount of expenditures reported. <sup>1</sup>	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	
				Value reported. <sup>1</sup>	Debt reported. <sup>1</sup>			Number reported. <sup>1</sup>	Number of scholars reported.
Brethren, Plymouth:									
Brethren, Plymouth, I	161	3,896	21	\$51,650	\$24,190	—	\$54,030	96	4,094
Brethren, Plymouth, II	130	5,928	25	108,751	23,950	—	89,694	108	5,884
Brethren, Plymouth, III	17	476	—	—	—	—	3,723	5	333
Brethren, Plymouth, IV	72	1,389	—	—	—	—	17,530	6	194
Brethren, Plymouth, V	80	1,820	1	1,200	—	—	17,899	43	1,109
Brethren, Plymouth, VI	10	208	—	—	—	—	2,978	3	64
Brethren, River:									
Brethren in Christ	72	3,805	64	218,875	215	\$9,000	31,841	61	4,631
Old Order or Yorker Brethren	9	432	—	—	—	—	400	—	—
United Zion's Children	31	1,152	27	67,125	11,550	—	2,511	10	827
Buddhists:									
Chinese temples	12	5,639	12	73,050	6,055	7,000	24,252	7	290
Japanese temples	13	2,763	9	105,000	6,000	—	29,740	4	176
Catholic Apostolic Church	145	2,922	17	19,743	675	2,000	18,340	70	1,825
Christian and Missionary Alliance	168	9,625	126	590,150	137,657	78,000	232,029	161	10,735
Christian Church (American Christian Convention)	1,265	118,737	1,171	3,589,471	147,494	379,750	644,044	1,115	91,853
Christian Union	220	13,692	193	341,610	9,169	11,000	47,079	173	11,582
Church of God and Saints of Christ	94	3,311	37	43,748	11,754	—	18,674	57	1,526
Church of the Universal Messianic Message	5	266	—	425	—	—	2,816	4	80
Churches of Christ	5,570	317,937	4,342	5,644,096	136,003	28,900	679,191	3,441	167,809
Churches of God, General Assembly	202	7,784	122	73,283	6,639	3,000	32,090	143	6,475
Churches of God in North America, General Eldership of the	443	28,376	391	1,418,787	90,958	194,600	286,338	393	39,259
Churches of the Living God:									
Church of the Living God	28	1,743	27	23,875	1,033	—	6,199	27	491
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship	155	9,626	60	78,955	7,380	—	18,812	99	2,328
Church of the Living God, General Assembly	10	266	6	12,700	7,100	250	3,704	10	168
Churches of the New Jerusalem:									
General Convention of the New Jerusalem in the United States of America	108	6,352	72	1,711,090	30,466	68,000	172,463	67	2,732
General Church of the New Jerusalem	15	733	8	55,032	11,000	5,000	16,666	14	318
Communitistic societies:									
Amana Society	7	1,534	22	16,300	—	—	—	—	—
United Society of Believers (Shakers)	12	387	8	20,750	—	2,000	750	6	96
Congregational Churches	5,867	791,274	5,744	80,842,813	3,928,253	9,295,284	14,220,133	5,804	654,922
Disciples of Christ	8,408	1,226,028	6,815	40,327,201	4,160,239	2,318,852	8,797,820	7,706	942,879
Eastern Orthodox Churches:									
Albanian Orthodox Church	2	410	—	—	—	—	2,482	—	—
Bulgarian Orthodox Church	4	1,992	4	18,500	4,000	—	5,051	—	—
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic)	87	119,871	59	1,115,464	322,423	13,200	230,288	17	1,088
Rumanian Orthodox Church	2	1,994	1	18,000	15,000	6,500	11,520	2	123
Russian Orthodox Church	169	99,681	164	2,137,713	982,048	503,614	549,776	126	6,739
Serbian Orthodox Church	12	14,301	10	106,700	21,112	15,300	29,353	9	653
Syrian Orthodox Church	25	11,591	26	180,507	70,779	14,500	28,498	8	615
Evangelical Association	1,636	120,756	1,582	8,317,978	771,943	1,932,269	1,939,368	1,574	172,129
Evangelical Protestant Church of North America	37	17,962	42	1,193,950	83,150	170,300	197,194	38	7,997
Evangelistic associations:									
Apostolic Church	2	112	2	6,400	500	—	650	1	60
Apostolic Christian Church	54	4,766	51	285,325	1,000	2,000	29,893	48	3,088
Apostolic Faith Movement	24	2,106	8	40,950	4,000	5,400	38,380	16	711
Christian Congregation	7	645	5	11,500	—	—	1,650	5	376
Church of Daniel's Band	6	383	5	7,800	—	—	895	1	22
Church of God as Organized by Christ	17	227	3	1,500	—	—	50	—	—
Church Transcendent	3	91	1	4,500	2,200	—	700	3	84
Hephzibah Faith Missionary Association	12	352	11	21,100	350	4,000	3,287	12	502
Lumber River Mission	6	434	6	6,425	—	—	323	6	358
Metropolitan Church Association	7	704	1	100,000	40,000	—	80,635	3	423
Missionary Church Association	25	1,554	21	84,700	1,500	6,000	37,930	29	3,022
Peniel Missions	10	257	2	111,600	—	—	5,765	4	66
Pentecost Bands of the World	10	218	10	18,500	7,900	9,500	4,420	10	430
Pillar of Fire	21	1,129	8	171,555	14,800	4,295	57,780	14	559
Voluntary Missionary Society in America	4	855	4	2,580	63	—	2,199	4	886
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ	35	6,225	36	35,900	1,700	8,500	19,154	35	3,411
Friends:									
Society of Friends (Orthodox)	899	92,379	733	4,262,893	119,794	326,830	714,166	718	64,583
Religious Society of Friends (Hicksite)	166	17,170	168	1,556,200	800	—	100,777	107	6,296
Orthodox Conservative Friends (Wilburite)	50	3,373	46	95,380	1,600	—	10,144	8	244
Friends (Primitive)	2	60	2	6,000	—	—	406	—	—
German Evangelical Synod of North America	1,336	339,853	1,267	13,118,273	1,492,479	2,668,175	2,375,690	1,244	145,377
Holiness Church	33	928	28	34,200	652	5,600	8,088	21	680
Independent churches	579	54,393	462	4,429,593	294,284	362,300	765,815	488	39,077
International Apostolic Holiness Church	170	5,276	116	200,468	33,463	9,900	73,639	152	7,923
Jacobite Church, (Assyrian)	15	748	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Jewish congregations	1,901	357,135	874	31,012,576	6,502,872	164,150	4,352,935	697	66,522
Latter Day Saints:									
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	965	403,388	905	6,283,226	268,230	57,195	804,068	1,058	152,030
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	565	58,941	382	871,571	62,204	4,750	145,036	558	28,222
Lithuanian National Catholic Church	7	7,343	6	88,000	65,700	6,000	17,374	1	140
Lutheran bodies:									
General Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States of America	1,846	370,715	1,813	24,271,797	2,376,634	2,886,790	4,342,251	1,810	311,501
United Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the South	492	56,656	488	2,672,245	166,181	451,250	446,283	441	43,697
General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America	2,389	540,642	2,330	32,108,091	4,530,425	4,187,578	5,630,234	2,385	307,595
Evangelical Lutheran Synodical Conference of America	3,621	777,701	3,301	25,973,538	3,261,637	5,792,672	6,721,599	1,584	110,300
Norwegian Lutheran Church of America—									
Hauge's Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Synod	362	29,893	255	1,128,488	72,713	185,500	270,914	298	14,011
Synod for the Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church of America	987	112,673	800	4,383,151	363,588	898,874	836,923	465	24,313
United Norwegian Lutheran Church in America	1,391	176,084	1,210	5,990,280	324,818	1,157,375	1,431,715	873	44,042
Evangelical Lutheran Joint Synod of Ohio and Other States	827	164,968	807	5,718,462	679,504	1,247,255	1,250,673	714	66,773
Lutheran Synod of Buffalo	42	6,128	41	244,163	32,750	54,150	68,952	23	1,524
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Elielsen's Synod	20	1,206	8	23,500	900	—	7,030	11	245
Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Iowa and Other States	977	130,793	870	4,057,635	250,214	1,127,225	1,089,874	808	38,120
Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America	101	14,544	93	894,809	44,934	148,352	105,356	68	2,981
Icelandic Evangelical Lutheran Synod in North America	14	1,830	12	35,450	1,360	4,000	4,720	11	435
Immanuel Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in North America	15	2,978	8	78,000	—	—	13,905	9	669
Finnish Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, or Suomi Synod	134	18,881	92	368,771	45,953	55,330	73,977	203	9,752
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian)	378	28,180	311	1,116,760	67,719	222,150	287,986	267	10,285

<sup>1</sup> For number of organizations reporting, in each principal denomination, see Table 2; for all denominations, see Table 60, p. 142.<sup>2</sup> No statistics available.

## GENERAL SUMMARY.

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TABLE 1.—SUMMARY OF PRINCIPAL STATISTICS, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	Number of members reported. <sup>1</sup>	Number of church edifices reported. <sup>1</sup>	CHURCH PROPERTY.		Value of parsonages reported. <sup>1</sup>	Amount of expenditures reported. <sup>1</sup>	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	
				Value reported. <sup>1</sup>	Debt reported. <sup>1</sup>			Number reported. <sup>1</sup>	Number of scholars reported.
Lutheran bodies—Continued.									
United Danish Evangelical Lutheran Church in America...	192	17,324	173	\$696,780	\$45,088	\$235,470	\$193,593	178	7,777
Finnish Evangelical Lutheran National Church...	64	7,933	41	125,091	15,790	12,000	15,017	54	2,077
Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish)...	47	6,664	34	64,942	1,467		8,459	27	1,109
Church of the Lutheran Brethren of America (Norwegian)...	23	892	19	45,410	6,495	1,200	14,837	22	641
Evangelical Lutheran Jehovah Conference...	6	831	7	17,800	4,600	4,400	6,749	4	492
Mennonite bodies:									
Mennonite Church...	307	34,965	285	1,014,246	12,562	20,750	156,069	289	37,096
Hutterian Brethren...	17	982	12	11,100	109	300		14	605
Conservative Amish Mennonite Church...	13	1,066	13	20,060	250		3,517	11	882
Old Order Amish Mennonite Church...	88	7,665					406	5	242
Church of God in Christ (Mennonite)...	21	1,125	16	23,815	400		6,333	10	675
Old Order Mennonite Church (Wisler)...	22	1,608	23	43,900			185		
Reformed Mennonite Church...	29	1,281	29	85,965			5,606		
General Conference of Mennonites of North America...	114	15,407	107	544,560	15,400	22,200	149,237	109	17,594
Defenseless Mennonites...	11	854	11	33,500	500		10,241	10	1,423
Mennonite Brethren in Christ...	110	4,737	92	223,648	17,195	61,425	91,317	104	7,755
Mennonite Brethren Church of North America...	53	5,127	47	131,605	1,700	800	38,101	60	7,716
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde...	13	894	14	31,700	1,000	700	13,075	18	1,556
Kleine Gemeinde...	3	171	2	3,200	390		25	4	66
Central Conference of Mennonites...	17	2,101	16	91,500			21,621	16	2,069
Conference of the Defenseless Mennonites of North America...	15	1,171	13	30,825			8,239	14	1,757
Stauffer Mennonites...	5	209	3	3,000					
Methodist bodies:									
Methodist Episcopal Church...	29,342	3,717,785	28,406	215,104,014	16,615,195	34,751,557	43,993,681	28,580	3,872,264
Methodist Protestant Church...	2,473	186,908	2,206	7,944,467	484,679	1,385,180	1,509,243	2,116	177,918
Wesleyan Methodist Connection of America...	579	20,778	529	787,731	37,930	243,650	329,294	529	29,850
Primitive Methodist Church in the United States of America...	93	9,353	93	829,035	85,889	164,300	147,695	93	14,918
Methodist Episcopal Church, South...	19,220	2,114,479	17,251	62,428,433	3,849,850	11,777,753	17,139,398	16,690	1,688,559
Congregational Methodist Church...	197	12,503	195	168,932	4,353		13,806	147	8,034
Free Methodist Church of North America...	1,606	35,291	1,217	2,236,325	121,979	946,618	772,038	1,197	58,553
New Congregational Methodist Church...	24	1,256	18	14,450	76		1,372	6	302
African Methodist Episcopal Church...	6,636	548,355	6,302	14,631,792	1,518,332	2,025,552	3,413,395	6,277	311,051
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church...	2,716	287,189	2,495	7,591,393	795,437	632,416	1,700,737	2,544	135,102
Colored Methodist Protestant Church...	26	1,967	16	52,733	3,766	1,300	12,129	24	870
Union American Methodist Episcopal Church...	67	3,624	59	182,805	43,091	6,950	40,664	54	1,982
African Union Methodist Protestant Church...	58	3,751	53	205,825	11,255	12,950	47,231	49	2,813
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church...	2,621	245,749	2,490	5,619,862	311,066	552,106	1,736,692	2,543	167,880
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic Church...	47	3,977	49	79,325	1,384		13,156	43	2,505
African American Methodist Episcopal Church...	28	1,310	1	6,280	1,000	2,000	13,455	6	200
Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal Church...	27	2,196	27	35,500	2,740	1,150	3,420	25	609
Moravian bodies:									
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum)...	110	26,373	117	1,368,220	68,996	306,100	309,180	112	14,954
Evangelical Union of Bohemian and Moravian Brethren in North America...	23	1,714	13	19,720	250	3,950	5,499	20	565
Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren Churches...	3	320	3	9,000		8,000	1,847	3	348
New Apostolic Church...	20	3,828	6	69,710	47,040		8,210	12	689
Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith...	58	2,273	25	25,050	20		1,263	12	530
Old Catholic Churches in America:									
Old Roman Catholic Church...	12	4,700	11	89,300	55,360	10,200	12,150	11	1,271
American Catholic Church...	3	475	1	3,000		1,000	1,700	2	75
Catholic Church of North America...	6	9,025	5	53,500	18,500	5,500	20,000	4	750
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene...	867	32,259	596	1,719,822	308,625	107,683	588,708	747	40,575
Pentecostal Holiness Church...	192	5,353	154	478,077	13,689	4,825	50,600	143	7,315
Polish National Catholic Church of America...	34	28,245	37	929,686	315,106	175,164	149,839	27	2,927
Presbyterian bodies:									
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America...	9,660	1,611,251	9,068	150,239,123	7,504,138	17,048,494	30,166,158	9,631	1,881,682
Cumberland Presbyterian Church...	1,317	72,052	1,163	1,935,072	69,455	149,500	330,905	909	53,431
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church...	136	13,077	132	230,428	7,576	8,100	39,497	139	7,471
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Church...	135	14,566	131	1,012,000	44,638	81,500	178,877	127	10,789
United Presbyterian Church of North America...	991	180,728	986	13,543,213	1,068,664	1,701,825	3,094,945	1,019	156,072
Presbyterian Church in the United States...	3,368	357,769	3,321	23,924,915	1,819,344	3,782,057	5,809,909	3,273	313,165
Associate Synod of North America (Associate Presbyterian Church)...	12	490	12	26,400		2,500	8,114	6	137
Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church...	133	15,124	130	667,650	39,196	145,165	178,138	146	13,411
Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America...	103	8,185	102	1,131,600	30,511	74,400	225,263	115	9,498
Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, General Synod...	14	2,386	15	279,200	11,000	15,500	32,001	15	1,765
Protestant Episcopal Church...	7,392	1,092,821	6,726	164,900,150	6,380,117	18,395,182	22,509,942	5,790	489,036
Reformed bodies:									
Reformed Church in America...	715	144,929	757	18,928,383	1,093,623	2,378,790	2,746,065	799	123,092
Reformed Church in the United States...	1,761	344,374	1,719	20,116,336	2,007,041	2,598,115	3,247,773	1,738	304,250
Christian Reformed Church...	226	38,668	233	1,658,308	486,408	619,095	715,193	214	24,445
Hungarian Reformed Church in America...	46	9,851	38	434,600	189,624	112,750	133,511	34	2,312
Reformed Episcopal Church...	75	11,050	74	1,702,187	94,198	67,000	180,880	72	8,603
Roman Catholic Church...	17,487	15,721,815	15,120	374,206,895	68,590,159	61,338,287	72,353,136	12,800	1,860,836
Salvation Army...	749	35,954	167	2,230,158	939,586	2,857	1,722,120	716	41,295
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:									
Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant of America...	324	29,164	310	2,295,172	205,132	375,200	522,352	322	30,937
Swedish Evangelical Free Church...	102	6,208	98	480,966	49,405	74,840	144,303	99	8,672
Norwegian-Danish Free Church...	32	2,444	31	277,700	85,138	13,300	55,880	32	2,092
Schwenkfelders...	6	1,127	6	76,000			6,552	6	1,511
Social Brethren...	19	950	18	15,000			817	8	421
Society for Ethical Culture...	5	2,850					80,661	4	436
Spiritualists:									
Spiritualists (National Spiritualists' Association)...	346	23,197	75	440,955	79,469	10,000	173,048	81	3,180
Progressive Spiritual Church...	11	5,831	3	51,500			22,634	1	50
Temple Society in the United States (Friends of the Temple)...	2	280	2	10,500		300	1,610	2	140
Theosophical societies:									
Theosophical Society...	17	199							
Theosophical Society, New York...	1	72					1,176		
Theosophical Society, American Section...	157	5,097							
Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society...	1								
Unitarians...	414	32,515	399	15,247,349	447,174	819,912	1,486,556	334	19,675
United Brethren bodies:									
Church of the United Brethren in Christ...	3,487	348,828	3,244	13,787,579	1,489,929	2,296,847	3,315,238	3,299	402,838
Church of the United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution)...	409	19,106	380	707,396	11,253	138,000	185,865	376	24,113
United Evangelical Church...	957	89,774	905	4,657,993	524,988	962,490	1,111,264	944	129,463
Universalists...	650	58,566	620	7,876,103	408,766	591,925	1,069,075	467	33,272
Vedanta Society...	3	190	2	37,500			8,000		
Volunteers of America...	97	10,204	16	226,950	93,516		232,010	26	1,483

<sup>1</sup> For number of organizations reporting, in each principal denomination, see Table 2; for all denominations, see Table 60, p. 142.<sup>2</sup> No statistics available.



## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

Although the figures in this table are derived from schedules returned by each separate church organization, a complete return for every item on the schedule was not made for all organizations reported in the first column. This was due in some cases to direct failure to answer the question, but in most cases it was due to the fact that the question was not applicable to that particular organization. Thus, every organization has members, but not every one keeps an accurate roll of membership. Every organization conducts services, but some of them in a hall, schoolhouse, etc., instead of a church edifice, in which case the inquiries concerning value and debt would

not be applicable. Similarly, a report concerning value of parsonages and Sunday schools would not be expected of every organization, as it is well known that some organizations, or whole denominations, do not make use of either. Every organization has some expenditures but does not necessarily keep a careful record of them.

These variations are brought out in Table 2, which shows, for each denomination having 10,000 or more members in 1916, the total number of organizations reported and the number and per cent of such organizations reporting under each statistical item shown in Table 1.

TABLE 2.—NUMBER AND PER CENT OF ORGANIZATIONS MAKING REPORT FOR EACH SPECIFIED INQUIRY, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING—															
		Members.		Church edifices.		Value of church property.		Debt on church property.		Value of parsonages.		Expenditures.		Sunday schools.			
		Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.
All denominations.....	227,487	226,718	99.7	199,634	87.8	197,807	87.0	42,990	18.9	65,272	28.7	203,859	89.6	186,183	81.8		
Adventist bodies:																	
Advent Christian.....	535	534	99.8	416	77.8	417	77.9	63	11.8	77	14.4	423	79.1	379	70.8		
Seventh-day Adventist.....	2,011	2,011	100.0	1,224	60.9	1,254	62.4	240	11.9	16	0.8	1,737	86.4	1,803	89.7		
Armenian Church.....	34	34	( <sup>1</sup> )	10	( <sup>1</sup> )	10	( <sup>1</sup> )	7	( <sup>1</sup> )			24	( <sup>1</sup> )	6	( <sup>1</sup> )		
Baptist bodies:																	
Baptists—																	
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,159	8,148	99.9	7,746	94.9	7,748	95.0	1,783	21.9	3,166	38.8	7,848	96.2	7,517	92.1		
Southern Baptist Convention.....	23,627	23,580	99.8	19,597	82.9	19,268	81.6	1,638	6.9	1,820	7.7	21,078	89.2	17,555	74.3		
National Baptist Convention.....	21,113	21,071	99.8	20,070	95.1	20,117	95.3	4,210	19.9	690	3.3	19,988	94.7	19,909	94.3		
Free Baptists.....	171	171	100.0	155	90.6	159	93.0	14	8.2	67	39.2	153	89.5	141	82.5		
Free Will Baptists.....	750	750	100.0	656	87.5	664	88.5	42	5.6	14	1.9	612	81.6	390	52.0		
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	170	169	99.4	164	96.5	168	98.8	35	20.6			108	98.8	87	51.2		
General Baptists.....	518	517	99.8	388	74.9	393	75.9	32	6.2	6	1.2	424	81.9	305	58.9		
Regular Baptists.....	401	401	100.0	191	47.6	189	47.1	15	3.7	2	0.5	143	35.7	50	12.5		
United Baptists.....	254	254	100.0	81	31.9	82	32.3	2	0.8			89	27.2	16	6.3		
Primitive Baptists.....	2,143	2,142	99.9	1,695	79.1	1,580	73.7	45	2.1	7	0.3	964	45.0				
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	336	336	100.0	214	63.7	164	48.8	46	13.7	12	3.6	170	50.6	87	25.9		
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):																	
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	939	937	99.8	923	92.9	928	92.9	116	11.6	65	6.5	911	91.2	899	90.0		
The Brethren Church (Progressive).....	203	201	99.0	183	90.1	184	90.6	38	18.7	25	12.3	185	91.1	183	90.1		
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	470	469	99.8	47	10.0	48	10.2	19	4.0			377	80.2	245	52.1		
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	1,265	1,263	99.8	1,170	92.5	1,102	91.9	107	8.5	183	14.5	1,103	87.2	1,110	87.7		
Christian Union.....	220	220	100.0	192	87.3	191	86.8	15	6.8	8	3.6	176	80.0	172	78.2		
Churches of Christ.....	5,570	5,570	100.0	4,334	77.8	4,373	78.5	276	5.0	22	0.4	2,168	38.9	3,408	61.2		
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	443	440	99.3	391	88.3	390	88.0	50	11.3	112	25.3	402	90.7	398	87.6		
Congregational Churches.....	5,897	5,893	99.9	5,821	98.9	5,628	94.2	1,447	24.7	3,049	51.0	5,619	95.3	5,537	94.4		
Disciples of Christ.....	8,408	8,396	99.9	6,719	79.9	6,597	66.6	1,327	15.8	947	11.3	5,568	66.2	7,849	89.8		
Eastern Orthodox Churches:																	
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	87	87	( <sup>1</sup> )	56	( <sup>1</sup> )	64	( <sup>1</sup> )	36	( <sup>1</sup> )	6	( <sup>1</sup> )	74	( <sup>1</sup> )	17	( <sup>1</sup> )		
Russian Church.....	169	169	100.0	163	96.4	169	100.0	132	78.1	96	56.8	165	97.6	116	68.6		
Serbian Church.....	12	12	( <sup>1</sup> )	10	( <sup>1</sup> )	10	( <sup>1</sup> )	5	( <sup>1</sup> )	5	( <sup>1</sup> )	12	( <sup>1</sup> )	8	( <sup>1</sup> )		
Syrian Church.....	25	25	( <sup>1</sup> )	25	( <sup>1</sup> )	25	( <sup>1</sup> )	16	( <sup>1</sup> )	6	( <sup>1</sup> )	24	( <sup>1</sup> )	8	( <sup>1</sup> )		
Evangelical Association.....	1,636	1,635	99.9	1,567	95.8	1,565	95.7	271	16.6	762	46.6	1,615	98.7	1,535	93.8		
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	37	37	( <sup>1</sup> )	37	( <sup>1</sup> )	37	( <sup>1</sup> )	20	( <sup>1</sup> )	28	( <sup>1</sup> )	37	( <sup>1</sup> )	36	( <sup>1</sup> )		
Friends:																	
Friends (Orthodox).....	809	805	99.5	720	89.0	718	88.8	72	8.9	210	26.0	757	93.6	702	86.8		
Friends (Hicksite).....	166	166	100.0	162	97.6	160	96.4	1	0.6			156	94.0	104	62.7		
German Evangelical Synod of North America.....	1,336	1,331	99.6	1,262	94.5	1,249	93.5	451	33.8	841	62.9	1,303	97.5	1,203	90.0		
Independent churches.....	579	552	95.3	447	77.2	439	75.8	94	16.2	86	14.9	513	88.6	469	80.0		
Jewish congregations.....	1,901	1,619	85.2	866	45.6	814	42.8	566	29.8	93	4.9	1,516	79.7	615	32.4		
Latter Day Saints:																	
Church of Jesus Christ.....	965	965	100.0	826	85.6	832	86.2	178	18.4	19	2.0	948	98.2	942	97.6		
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	565	565	100.0	378	66.9	390	69.0	82	14.5	6	1.1	422	74.7	501	88.7		
Lutheran bodies:																	
General Synod.....	1,846	1,846	100.0	1,804	97.7	1,811	98.1	476	25.8	812	44.0	1,810	98.0	1,766	95.7		
United Synod, South.....	492	492	100.0	485	98.6	485	98.6	45	9.1	164	33.3	467	94.9	438	89.0		
General Council.....	2,389	2,386	99.9	2,279	95.4	2,274	95.2	876	36.7	980	41.0	2,343	98.1	2,179	91.2		
Synodical Conference.....	3,621	3,620	99.9	3,176	87.7	3,151	87.0	1,078	29.8	2,220	61.3	3,339	92.2	1,370	37.8		
Norwegian Lutheran Church—																	
Hauge's Synod.....	362	362	100.0	249	68.8	253	69.9	57	15.7	58	16.0	284	78.5	269	74.3		
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	987	987	100.0	783	79.3	798	80.9	167	16.9	252	25.5	939	95.1	429	43.5		
United Norwegian Church in America.....	1,391	1,391	100.0	1,190	85.5	1,208	86.8	210	15.1	352	25.3	1,556	97.5	806	57.9		
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	827	826	99.9	773	93.5	776	93.8	219	26.5	474	57.3	806	97.5	687	83.1		
Synod of Iowa.....	977	977	100.0	845	86.5	847	86.7	162	16.6	481	49.2	957	98.0	769	78.7		
Danish Lutheran Church.....	101	101	100.0	90	89.1	90	89.1	27	26.7	56	55.4	97	96.0	65	64.4		
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	134	134	100.0	88	65.7	89	66.4	31	23.1	22	16.4	128	95.5	112	83.6		
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	378	376	99.5	306	81.0	309	81.7	67	17.7	85	22.5	361	95.5	243	64.3		
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	192	192	100.0	170	88.5	173	90.1	43	22.4	90	46.9	186	96.9	165	85.9		
Mennonite bodies:																	
Mennonite Church.....	307	307	100.0	275	89.6	276	89.9	16	5.2	11	3.6	281	91.5	270	87.9		
General Conference of Mennonites.....	114	113	99.1	106	93.0	106	93.0	14	12.3	11	9.6	107	93.9	105	92.1		

<sup>1</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.



# GENERAL SUMMARY.

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TABLE 2.—NUMBER AND PER CENT OF ORGANIZATIONS MAKING REPORT FOR EACH SPECIFIED INQUIRY, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING—															
		Members.		Church edifices.		Value of church property.		Debt on church property.		Value of parsonages.		Expenditures.		Sunday schools.			
		Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.	Number of organizations.	Per cent of total.
Methodist bodies:																	
Methodist Episcopal.....	20,342	29,315	99.9	28,136	95.9	28,134	95.0	6,332	21.6	14,262	48.6	28,791	98.1	27,549	93.9		
Methodist Protestant.....	2,473	2,473	100.0	2,202	91.5	2,276	92.0	250	10.1	679	27.5	2,393	96.8	2,081	84.1		
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	579	579	100.0	515	88.9	514	88.8	84	14.5	217	37.5	525	90.7	500	86.4		
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	19,220	19,184	99.8	17,133	89.2	17,133	89.1	1,914	10.0	5,327	27.7	18,751	97.6	16,908	88.8		
Congregational Methodist.....	197	197	100.0	195	99.0	195	99.0	10	5.1	.....	.....	139	70.6	147	74.6		
Free Methodist.....	1,009	1,598	99.9	1,198	74.6	1,205	75.0	171	10.6	700	43.6	1,426	88.8	1,150	71.6		
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,636	6,633	99.9	6,214	93.6	6,232	93.9	2,437	36.7	1,867	28.1	6,516	98.2	6,084	91.7		
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,710	2,716	100.0	2,488	91.6	2,475	91.1	793	29.2	485	17.9	2,641	97.2	2,535	93.3		
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,021	2,021	100.0	2,490	95.0	2,544	97.1	828	31.6	525	20.0	2,613	99.7	2,541	96.9		
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	110	110	100.0	107	97.3	106	96.4	21	19.1	80	72.7	109	99.1	104	94.5		
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	897	898	99.9	591	65.8	607	70.0	266	30.7	82	9.5	712	82.1	727	83.9		
Polish National Catholic Church.....	34	34	(1)	33	(1)	33	(1)	32	(1)	21	(1)	32	(1)	27	(1)		
Presbyterian bodies:																	
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,600	9,639	99.8	8,770	90.8	8,677	89.8	2,130	22.0	4,536	47.0	9,059	93.8	8,848	91.6		
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,317	1,313	99.7	1,143	86.8	1,150	87.3	81	6.2	103	7.8	1,009	76.6	908	68.6		
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	136	136	100.0	129	94.9	130	95.6	11	8.1	6	4.4	127	93.4	133	97.8		
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	135	134	99.3	129	95.6	126	93.3	14	10.4	33	24.4	129	95.6	127	94.1		
United Presbyterian.....	991	991	100.0	969	97.8	952	96.1	225	22.7	538	54.3	974	98.3	976	98.5		
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,368	3,365	99.9	3,050	90.6	3,041	90.3	424	12.6	1,112	33.0	3,191	92.1	2,744	81.5		
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	133	133	100.0	129	97.0	128	96.2	18	13.5	63	47.4	133	100.0	128	96.2		
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,392	7,345	99.4	6,514	88.1	6,454	87.3	1,281	17.3	3,154	42.7	6,831	92.4	5,552	75.1		
Reformed bodies:																	
Reformed Church in America.....	715	715	100.0	695	97.2	690	96.5	258	36.1	528	73.8	705	98.6	697	97.5		
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,761	1,758	99.8	1,670	94.8	1,663	94.4	369	21.0	786	44.6	1,714	97.3	1,658	94.2		
Christian Reformed Church.....	226	226	100.0	211	93.4	209	92.5	151	66.8	184	81.4	221	97.8	188	83.2		
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	75	74	(1)	74	(1)	74	(1)	28	(1)	12	(1)	75	(1)	70	(1)		
Roman Catholic Church.....	17,487	17,375	99.4	14,808	84.7	14,489	82.9	6,024	34.4	8,976	51.3	13,722	78.5	11,748	67.2		
Salvation Army.....	749	742	99.1	167	22.3	164	21.9	127	17.0	2	0.3	744	99.3	705	94.1		
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:																	
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	324	324	100.0	303	93.5	312	96.3	83	25.6	134	41.4	311	96.0	305	94.1		
Spiritualists (National Association).....	346	343	99.1	73	21.1	116	33.5	34	9.8	3	0.9	278	80.3	75	21.7		
Unitarians.....	414	411	99.3	394	95.2	393	94.9	93	22.5	129	31.2	369	89.1	331	80.0		
United Brethren bodies:																	
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,487	3,481	99.8	3,233	92.7	3,220	92.3	456	13.1	1,130	32.4	3,373	96.7	3,251	93.2		
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	409	408	99.8	376	91.9	378	92.4	36	8.8	100	24.4	402	98.3	367	89.7		
United Evangelical Church.....	957	957	100.0	897	93.7	896	93.6	245	25.6	401	41.9	927	96.9	905	94.6		
Universalists.....	650	643	98.9	613	94.3	609	93.7	110	16.9	147	22.6	573	88.2	467	71.8		
Volunteers of America.....	97	97	(1)	15	(1)	13	(1)	9	(1)	.....	.....	67	(1)	26	(1)		
All other denominations.....	4,185	4,167	99.6	2,675	63.9	2,739	65.4	666	15.9	436	10.4	3,664	73.0	2,567	61.3		

1 Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.

The table shows that for all denominations combined 99.7 per cent of the organizations reported number of members, the balance of three-tenths of 1 per cent representing, of course, failure to report, as all organizations must have members. The other items in the table probably have some small fraction of a per cent representing failure to report, but, with the exception of "expenditures," a full report was not to be expected. Only 89.6 per cent of the organizations reported expenditures, which would indicate that a large number of organizations do not keep financial records in such shape that the census inquiry could be properly answered. As stated above, some organizations do not own church edifices, but hold their services in halls, schoolhouses, etc., and such organizations represented about 12 per cent of the total number returned by all denominations. The table shows that practically the same percentage of organizations reported value of church property as reported edifices, but that in some denominations the

former exceeded the latter, due to the fact that some organizations owned lots on which they had not erected church edifices in 1916, and others owned church furnishings, such as organs, etc., without owning the buildings. Of the total number of organizations, 18.9 per cent reported debt on church property, 28.7 per cent reported value of parsonages, and 81.8 per cent made report concerning Sunday schools.

In the textual discussion of each of the various items of inquiry and the summary tables relating thereto, comparisons are limited to the last three censuses of religious bodies—1916, 1906, and 1890. Limited inquiries concerning churches were made at the decennial censuses of 1870, 1860, and 1850, the results of which are embodied in the following summary.

As stated in the report for 1906, although the completeness of these earlier returns is somewhat doubtful, the figures may be regarded as indicating roughly the probable growth of religious bodies during the two decades.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 3.—COMPARISON OF ORGANIZATIONS OR CHURCHES, ACCOMMODATIONS, AND PROPERTY, BY DENOMINATIONS, FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1870, 1860, AND 1850.

DENOMINATION.	1870				1860			1850		
	Organi- zations.	Edifices.	Sittings.	Property.	Churches.	Accommo- dations.	Property.	Churches.	Accommo- dations.	Property.
All denominations.....	72,459	63,082	21,665,062	\$354,483,581	54,009	19,128,751	\$171,397,932	38,061	14,234,825	\$87,328,801
Baptist, Regular.....	14,474	12,857	3,997,116	39,229,221	11,221	3,749,551	19,799,378	9,378	3,247,069	11,020,855
Baptist (other).....	1,355	1,105	363,019	2,378,977	929	294,697	1,279,736	187	60,142	153,115
Christian.....	3,578	2,822	865,002	6,425,137	2,068	681,016	2,518,045	875	303,780	853,386
Congregational.....	2,887	2,715	1,117,212	25,099,098	2,234	956,351	13,327,511	1,725	807,335	8,001,995
Episcopal (Protestant).....	2,835	2,601	991,051	30,514,549	2,145	847,296	21,065,698	1,459	643,598	11,375,010
Evangelical Association.....	815	641	193,796	2,301,650	726	260,084	2,544,507	39	15,479	118,250
Friends.....	692	662	224,064	3,959,560	77	34,412	1,135,300	726	286,323	1,713,767
Jewish.....	189	152	73,285	5,155,234	2,128	757,637	5,385,179	36	18,371	418,600
Lutheran.....	3,032	2,776	977,332	14,917,747	19,833	6,259,799	33,093,371	1,231	539,701	2,906,711
Methodist.....	25,278	21,337	6,528,209	69,854,121	2	650	4,000	13,302	4,345,619	14,825,070
Miscellaneous.....	27	17	6,935	135,850	49	20,316	227,450	122	36,494	214,530
Moravian (Unitas Fratrum).....	72	67	25,700	709,100	24	13,500	801,100	344	114,988	444,187
Mormon.....	189	171	87,838	656,750	58	15,395	321,200	16	10,880	34,780
New Jerusalem (Swedenborgian).....	90	61	18,755	899,700	5,061	2,088,838	24,227,359	21	6,600	115,100
Presbyterian (regular).....	6,262	5,683	2,198,900	47,828,732	1,345	477,111	2,613,166	4,826	2,079,765	14,543,789
Presbyterian (other).....	1,562	1,388	499,344	5,436,524	440	211,068	4,453,850	32	10,189	27,550
Reformed Church in America (late Dutch Reformed).....	471	468	227,228	10,359,255	676	273,697	2,422,670	335	182,686	4,116,280
Reformed Church in the United States (late German Reformed).....	1,256	1,145	431,700	5,775,215	2,550	1,404,437	26,774,119	341	160,932	993,780
Roman Catholic.....	4,127	3,806	1,990,514	60,985,566	2,550	1,404,437	26,774,119	1,222	667,863	9,256,758
Second Advent.....	225	140	34,555	306,240	10	17,120	101,170	25	5,250	11,100
Shaker.....	18	18	8,850	86,900	12	5,200	41,000	11	5,150	39,500
Spiritualist.....	95	22	6,970	100,150	17	6,275	7,500	245	138,067	3,280,822
Unitarian.....	331	310	155,471	6,282,675	264	138,213	4,338,316	14	4,650	18,600
United Brethren in Christ.....	1,445	937	265,025	1,819,810	664	235,210	2,856,095	530	215,115	1,778,316
Universalist.....	719	602	210,884	5,692,325	687,800	687,800	9,425	22	9,425	98,950
Unknown (local missions).....	26	27	11,925	965,295	1,366	371,899	1,370,212	999	320,454	915,020
Unknown (union).....	409	552	153,202							

## CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.

The source of the presentation of statistics of religious bodies is the church organization, local or general. The local church organization is a gathering of individuals for religious services or worship; the general church organization is a combination in a general body of a number of local organizations. In each case the form of organization may be complete, with officers and an enrolled membership, or it may be little more than an association or fellowship. The local church organization is variously termed church, congregation, meeting, society, mission, station, chapel, etc.; its essential feature is that its purpose is religious, and that its membership is distinctive; the members of one such organization can not be members of another similar organization. The general church organization may be an assembly, convention, council, church, synod, etc., but is, in this report, called a denomination, not that the term is regarded as exact, but because no other term descriptive of a general organized body of local churches seems to be available for the purpose of statistical presentation. In some bodies there are subdivisions of the general organization, termed variously associations, conferences, dioceses, presbyteries, etc., and statistics for these subdivisions, whenever available, are presented in connection with the separate denominations in Part II.

In default of an enumeration of the population according to religious affiliation, the local church organization forms the only practical basis for collecting statistics of the religious bodies of the country. Virtually every individual who has any religious

affiliation is connected, more or less formally, with some church organization, and the number of these persons can best be learned through it. This organization also is best qualified to give information as to the church edifices and their number and value, its financial status, its Sunday school, etc. It is in fact the ultimate source for all the information that it is desired to set forth, and must be reached if the information is to be secured.

In studying the tables showing the number of local organizations in the denominations, it must be remembered that the number of organizations in any body does not constitute an accurate measure of the strength of that body. In the Roman Catholic Church it is not uncommon to find several thousand members in an organization, while the number reporting less than 100 is very small. In the Protestant bodies, on the other hand, the tendency is to a much smaller membership. In the Jewish communities, again, the congregation or synagogue varies greatly in its constitution.

Some years before the last census of religious bodies (1906) there was a general movement for church extension throughout the country, participated in by many of the denominations. "A church of our order in every town and village" was the slogan. The result was that there sprang up on every hand a number of church organizations with very little substantial basis, and which lasted for a time and then disbanded, so that the large increase in the number of organizations in the 16 years from 1890 to 1906 was not maintained in the decade from 1906 to 1916.

# GENERAL SUMMARY.

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The total number of organizations in each denomination in 1916 is presented in Table 60, page 142, and for three censuses in Table 67, page 526. Diagram I on page 27 presents a comparison in the number of organizations for the principal denominations, that is, those reporting at least 2,000 organizations in 1916.

Table 4 gives, for 1916, 1906, and 1890, the number of organizations reported by denominations having a membership of 10,000 or more in 1916, with the increase for the 10-year, 16-year, and 26-year periods. It also shows what percentage of the whole number of organizations in the United States was comprised by the respective denominations.

TABLE 4.—CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	LOCAL CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
							Num- ber.	Per cent.	Num- ber.	Per cent.	Num- ber.	Per cent.
All denominations.....	227,487	212,230	165,151	100.0	100.0	100.0	62,336	37.7	15,257	7.2	47,079	28.5
<b>Adventist bodies:</b>												
Advent Christian.....	535	550	580	0.2	0.3	0.4	-45	-7.8	-15	-2.7	-30	-5.2
Seventh-day Adventist.....	2,011	1,889	995	0.9	0.9	0.6	1,016	102.1	122	5.5	894	89.8
Armenian Church.....	34	73	6	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	28	( <sup>2</sup> )	-39	( <sup>2</sup> )	67	( <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Baptist bodies:</b>												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,159	8,272	7,902	3.6	3.9	4.8	257	2.3	-113	-1.4	370	4.7
Southern Baptist Convention.....	23,627	21,104	16,238	10.4	9.9	9.8	7,389	45.5	2,523	12.0	4,866	30.0
National Baptist Convention.....	21,113	18,534	12,533	9.3	8.7	7.6	8,580	68.5	2,579	13.9	6,001	47.9
Free Baptists.....	171	1,346	1,586	0.1	0.6	1.0	-1,415	-89.2	-1,175	-87.3	-240	-15.1
Free Will Baptists.....	750	1,608	1,167	0.3	0.3	0.1	583	349.1	142	23.4	441	264.1
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	170	251	—	0.1	0.1	—	170	—	-81	-32.3	251	—
General Baptists.....	518	518	399	0.2	0.2	0.2	119	29.8	—	—	119	29.8
Regular Baptists.....	401	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	0.2	—	—	401	—	401	—	—	—
United Baptists.....	254	196	204	0.1	0.1	0.1	50	24.5	58	29.6	-8	-3.9
Primitive Baptists.....	2,143	2,922	—	0.9	1.4	—	-828	-20.2	-779	-26.7	612	19.7
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	336	797	3,107	0.1	0.4	1.9	—	—	-461	-57.8	—	—
<b>Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):</b>												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	999	822	720	0.4	0.4	0.4	279	38.8	177	21.5	102	14.2
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	203	202	128	0.1	0.1	0.1	75	58.6	1	0.5	74	57.8
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	470	403	314	0.2	0.2	0.2	156	49.7	67	16.6	89	28.3
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	1,265	1,379	1,424	0.6	0.6	0.9	-159	-11.2	-114	-8.3	-45	-3.2
Christian Union.....	220	217	294	0.1	0.1	0.2	-74	-25.2	3	1.4	-77	-28.2
Churches of Christ.....	5,570	2,649	—	2.4	1.2	—	5,570	—	2,921	110.3	2,649	—
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	443	618	479	0.2	0.2	0.3	-36	-7.5	-75	-14.5	39	8.1
Congregational Churches.....	5,887	5,713	4,888	2.6	2.7	2.9	999	20.5	154	2.7	845	17.4
Disciples of Christ.....	8,408	8,293	7,246	3.7	3.9	4.4	1,162	15.0	115	1.4	1,047	14.4
<b>Eastern Orthodox Churches:</b>												
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	87	334	1	( <sup>2</sup> )	0.2	( <sup>2</sup> )	88	( <sup>2</sup> )	-247	-74.0	333	( <sup>2</sup> )
Russian Church.....	169	59	1	0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	168	( <sup>2</sup> )	110	( <sup>2</sup> )	58	( <sup>2</sup> )
Serbian Church.....	12	10	—	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	—	12	( <sup>2</sup> )	2	( <sup>2</sup> )	10	( <sup>2</sup> )
Syrian Church.....	25	8	—	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	—	25	( <sup>2</sup> )	17	( <sup>2</sup> )	8	( <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Evangelical Association:</b>												
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	1,636	1,760	2,310	0.7	0.8	1.4	-674	-29.2	-124	-7.0	-550	-23.8
<b>Friends:</b>												
Friends (Orthodox).....	809	873	794	0.4	0.4	0.5	15	1.9	-84	-7.3	79	9.9
Friends (Hicksite).....	166	218	201	0.1	0.1	0.1	-35	-17.4	-52	-23.9	17	8.5
German Evangelical Synod of North America.....	1,336	1,205	870	0.6	0.6	0.5	469	53.6	131	10.9	335	38.5
Independent churches.....	579	1,079	155	0.3	0.5	0.1	424	278.5	-500	-46.3	924	596.1
Jewish congregations.....	1,901	1,769	533	0.8	0.8	0.3	1,368	256.7	132	7.5	1,236	231.9
<b>Latter Day Saints:</b>												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	965	683	425	0.4	0.3	0.3	540	127.1	282	41.3	258	60.7
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	565	501	431	0.2	0.2	0.3	134	31.1	64	12.8	70	16.2
<b>Lutheran bodies:</b>												
General Synod.....	1,846	1,734	1,424	0.8	0.8	0.9	422	29.6	112	6.5	310	21.8
United Synod, South.....	492	449	414	0.2	0.2	0.3	78	18.8	43	9.6	35	8.5
General Council.....	2,389	2,146	1,560	1.1	1.0	0.9	829	53.1	243	11.3	586	37.6
Synodical Conference.....	3,621	3,360	1,934	1.6	1.6	1.2	1,687	87.2	261	7.8	1,426	73.7
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	363	272	175	0.2	0.1	0.1	187	106.9	90	33.1	97	55.4
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	987	927	489	0.4	0.4	0.3	498	101.8	60	6.5	438	89.6
United Norwegian Church.....	1,301	1,177	1,122	0.6	0.6	0.7	269	24.0	214	18.2	55	4.9
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	827	772	421	0.4	0.4	0.3	406	96.4	55	7.1	351	83.4
Synod of Iowa.....	977	828	484	0.4	0.4	0.3	493	101.9	149	18.0	344	71.1
Danish Lutheran Church.....	101	92	131	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	0.1	-30	-22.9	9	( <sup>2</sup> )	-39	-29.8
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	134	105	11	0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	123	( <sup>2</sup> )	29	27.6	94	( <sup>2</sup> )
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	378	320	—	0.2	0.2	—	378	—	58	18.1	320	—
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	192	198	50	0.1	0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	142	( <sup>2</sup> )	-6	-3.0	148	( <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Mennonite bodies:</b>												
Mennonite Church.....	367	277	343	0.1	0.1	0.2	-36	-10.5	30	10.8	-66	-19.2
General Conference of Mennonites.....	114	90	47	0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	67	( <sup>2</sup> )	24	( <sup>2</sup> )	43	( <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Methodist bodies:</b>												
Methodist Episcopal.....	29,342	29,943	25,861	12.9	14.1	15.7	3,481	13.5	-601	-2.0	4,082	15.8
Methodist Protestant.....	2,473	2,843	2,529	1.1	1.3	1.5	-56	-2.2	-370	-13.0	314	12.4
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	579	594	565	0.3	0.3	0.3	14	2.5	-15	-2.5	29	5.1
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	19,220	17,831	15,017	8.4	8.4	9.1	4,203	28.0	1,359	7.8	2,814	18.7
Congregational Methodist.....	197	325	214	0.1	0.2	0.1	-17	-7.9	-128	-39.4	111	51.9
Free Methodist.....	1,606	1,553	1,102	0.7	0.7	0.7	504	45.7	53	-0.2	451	40.9
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,636	6,047	2,481	2.9	3.1	1.5	4,155	167.5	11	—	4,166	167.9
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,718	2,204	1,704	1.2	1.0	1.0	1,012	59.4	512	23.2	500	29.3
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,621	2,381	1,759	1.2	1.1	1.1	862	49.0	240	10.1	622	35.4
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	110	117	92	( <sup>2</sup> )	0.1	0.1	18	( <sup>2</sup> )	-7	-6.0	25	( <sup>2</sup> )
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	867	100	—	0.4	( <sup>2</sup> )	—	867	—	767	767.0	100	—
Polish National Catholic Church.....	34	24	—	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	—	34	—	10	( <sup>2</sup> )	24	—

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.  
<sup>2</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>3</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.  
<sup>4</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>5</sup> Not reported.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 4.—CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	LOCAL CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
							Num- ber.	Per cent.	Num- ber.	Per cent.	Num- ber.	Per cent.
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America...	9,660	7,935	6,712	4.2	3.7	4.1	2,948	43.9	1,725	21.7	1,223	18.2
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,317	2,850	2,791	0.6	1.3	1.7	-1,474	-52.8	-1,533	-53.8	59	2.1
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	136	196	224	0.1	0.1	0.1	-88	-39.3	-60	-30.6	-28	-12.5
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	135	147	187	0.1	0.1	0.1	-52	-27.8	-12	-8.2	-40	-21.4
United Presbyterian.....	991	968	866	0.4	0.5	0.5	125	14.4	23	2.4	102	11.8
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,368	3,104	2,391	1.5	1.5	1.4	977	40.9	284	8.5	713	29.8
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	133	141	116	0.1	0.1	0.1	17	14.7	-8	-5.7	25	21.6
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,392	6,845	5,018	3.2	3.2	3.0	2,374	47.3	547	8.0	1,827	36.4
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	715	659	572	0.3	0.3	0.3	143	25.0	56	8.5	87	15.2
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,761	1,736	1,510	0.8	0.8	0.9	251	16.6	25	1.4	226	15.0
Christian Reformed Church.....	226	174	99	0.1	0.1	0.1	127	( <sup>3</sup> )	52	29.0	75	( <sup>3</sup> )
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	75	81	83	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	0.1	-8	( <sup>3</sup> )	-6	( <sup>3</sup> )	-2	( <sup>3</sup> )
Roman Catholic Church.....	17,487	12,482	10,239	7.7	5.9	6.2	7,248	70.8	5,005	40.1	2,243	21.9
Salvation Army.....	749	694	329	0.3	0.3	0.2	420	127.7	55	7.9	365	110.9
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	324	281	.....	0.1	0.1	.....	324	.....	43	15.3	281	.....
Spiritualists (National Association <sup>4</sup> ).....	346	455	334	0.2	0.2	0.2	12	3.6	-109	-24.0	121	36.2
Unitarians.....	414	461	421	0.2	0.2	0.3	-7	-1.7	-47	-10.2	40	9.5
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,487	3,732	3,731	1.5	1.8	2.3	-244	-6.5	-245	-6.6	1	( <sup>4</sup> )
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	409	572	795	0.2	0.3	0.5	-386	-48.6	-163	-28.5	-223	-28.1
United Evangelical Church.....	937	978	.....	0.4	0.5	.....	957	.....	-21	-2.1	978	.....
Universalists.....	630	846	956	0.3	0.4	0.6	-306	-32.0	-196	-23.2	-110	-11.5
Volunteers of America.....	97	71	.....	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )	.....	97	.....	26	( <sup>3</sup> )	71	.....
All other denominations.....	4,185	3,692	2,885	1.8	1.7	1.7	1,300	45.1	493	13.4	807	28.0

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.<sup>4</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

As already noted, the table shows that the first period (1890-1906) was one of expansion as regards the number of organizations, and the second (1906-1916) was one of consolidation and elimination. In interpreting the table, however, it must be borne in mind that the first period extends over 16 years and the latter over 10, and that the returns at the two censuses of 1906 and 1916, having been collected under a permanent census organization, and by practically uniform methods, are more nearly complete and accurate.

In the period 1890 to 1916 there was a general increase in all denominations combined of 62,336 organizations, or 37.7 per cent. In the period 1890 to 1906 the increase was 47,079, or 28.5 per cent; and from 1906 to 1916 it was 15,257, or 7.2 per cent. These large differences bear testimony to what appears to be a general characteristic of church life during the second period, viz, consolidation of church work with a view to greater efficiency. They do not indicate any weakening of the actual working strength of the churches. For instance, some of the Methodist bodies presented in the table show large gains in number of organizations in the first period, and greatly diminished gains, or even losses, in the second period. The Methodist Episcopal Church in 1906 reported 4,082 more organizations than in 1890, but 601 fewer organizations in 1916 than in 1906, while, as is evident from the reports on membership, the denomination gained in both periods, the gain in the second being only at a somewhat lower rate. The explanation appears to be that in 1890 the number of organizations reported probably included all churches in a

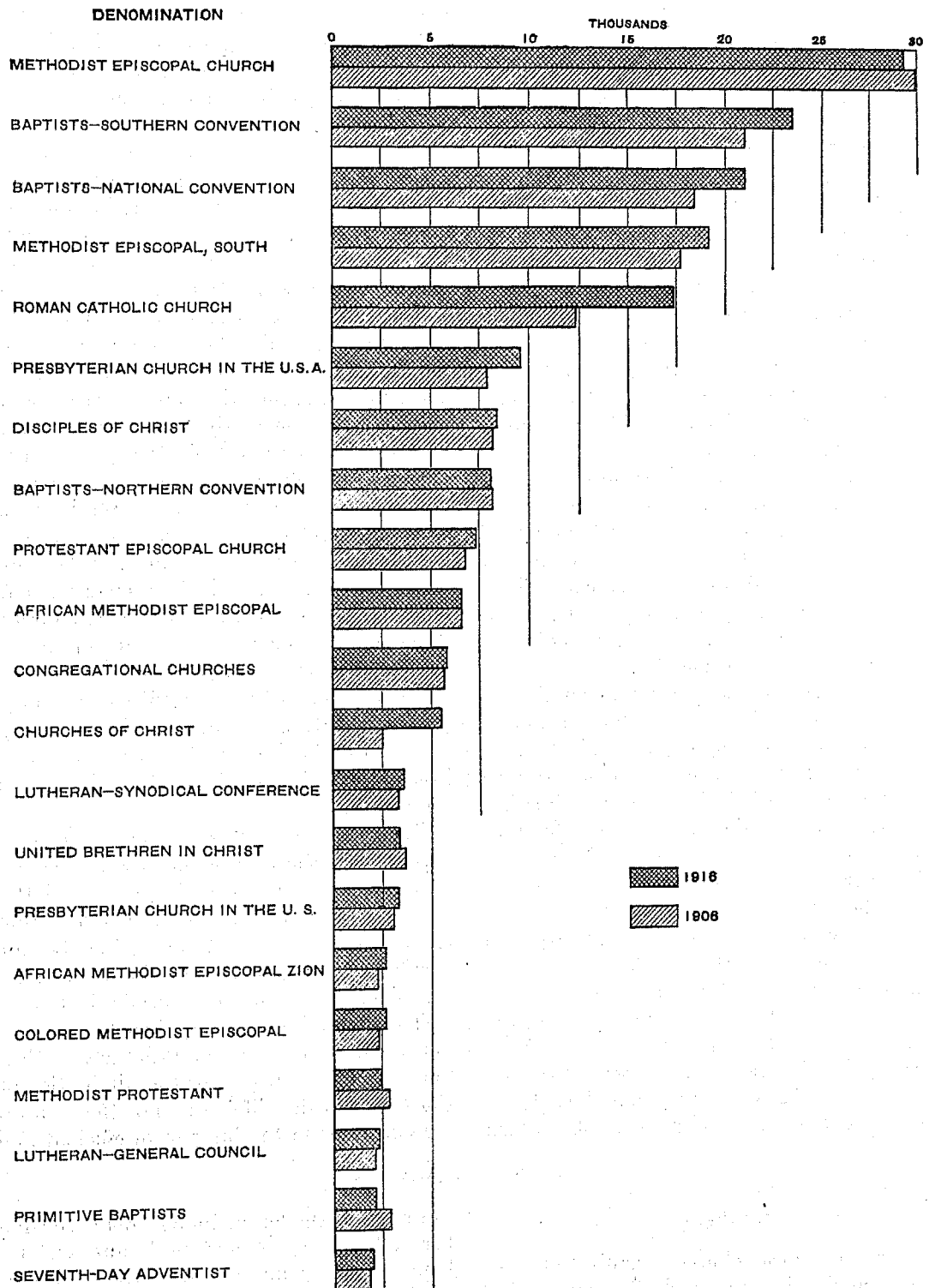
circuit as one organization, while in 1906 and 1916 the plan was to report them as separate organizations. This, however, was not always done, especially in 1916, and to this failure is probably due the decrease reported for that year. The situation is similar in other bodies.

During the second period the great majority of the Free Baptist churches were united with the Northern Baptist Convention, yet the total number of organizations reported by that body was less by 113 than in 1906 before the addition of the Free Baptist churches. During this period also the union between the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America was effected, by which the Cumberland Presbyterian Church lost 1,533 organizations, while the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America gained 1,725, a net gain of 192 as against 1,282 reported for the previous period.

Similar illustrations might be given of other denominations whose returns for the second period showed a much lower rate of increase than for the first period, and in many cases showed a decrease.

Of the denominations shown in the table, less than 50 showed an increase during both periods, but in practically every case at a lower rate for the second period, even taking into consideration that the number of years covered by the second period was less than the number in the first. Of the larger denominations, the Roman Catholic Church, the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and 2 Lutheran synods reported an increased rate of gain in the second period over the first; while the Southern

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Baptist Convention, the National Baptist Convention, the Congregational Churches, the Disciples of Christ, the other Lutheran bodies, the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and the Reformed bodies reported the greater gain in the first period.

With regard to some bodies, as the United Baptists and the Mennonite Church, the bases of reports at the three periods were so different that comparison is impracticable.

As in 1906, the largest number of organizations in 1916 were reported by the large Baptist and Methodist bodies. The Methodist Episcopal Church led with 29,342 organizations while the Southern Baptist Convention reported 23,627, and the National Baptist Convention (Negro), 21,113. The Methodist Episcopal Church, however, showed a loss since 1906 of 601 organizations, while the 2 Baptist bodies showed a gain of 2,523 and 2,579, respectively. The Methodist Episcopal Church, South reported 19,220 organizations, a gain of 1,389, and the Roman Catholic Church, 17,487 organizations, a gain of 5,005.

The increase in the number of organizations reported by the Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, 767 per cent, is in line with the development of similar bodies, as the Pentecostal Holiness Church, and the Christian and Missionary Alliance. These all drew from the body of churches reported in 1906 as Independent, as well as from other bodies in general sympathy with their principles.

A number of bodies show a decrease in number of organizations. The Christian Church shows a falling off during each period, probably explained, at least in good measure, by a somewhat inaccurate enumeration; this body, the Disciples of Christ, and the Churches of Christ all use frequently the same name "Christian Church," or "Church of Christ" for the local organizations. This fact creates confusion in the tabulation, but at each census the list was made more nearly complete, and organizations became identified more exactly with the body to which they really belonged.

Special interest attaches to the figures for organizations in the Greek Orthodox Church, and some of the Mennonite bodies and Lutheran synods, as these have been affected by immigration. The Greek Orthodox Church shows a loss of 247 organizations, but this is due to a plan of enumeration adopted in 1916 which

differed materially from that in 1906. In 1906 every Greek community was reported, while in 1916 only those communities were included where there was a regularly organized religious society or church. The result was that instead of 334 organizations as reported in 1906, only 87 were listed.

The situation in regard to the Jewish congregations is so uncertain that comparison between the reports for these 2 periods is not satisfactory. In 1906 there were 1,769 organizations reported, and in 1916 the number had increased to 1,901, but those who furnished the figures expressed uncertainty as to whether or not the figures covered the entire number of Jewish congregations at either census. The situation is more fully set forth in the denominational statement concerning this body in Part II.

The "Independent churches" do not represent any homogeneous body, but simply an aggregation of individual organizations, with nothing in common except the fact that they are not ecclesiastically identified with any regularly organized denomination. As is natural in such organizations, there are numerous changes. A church wearies of independency and enters—often reenters—into relations with some synod, presbytery, association, or other similar body. On the other hand, an organization becomes weary of ecclesiastical restraint and proclaims itself independent. In some cases two or more churches, even of different denominations, federate or unite, and then are listed as one church whereas formerly they were distinct. Three fully organized denominations reported in 1916 are composed chiefly of organizations listed with the Independent churches in 1906. The loss of 500 churches, therefore, is not particularly significant.

Reviewing the situation as indicated by the marked reduction in the rate of increase in the total number of organizations reported for the period 1906 to 1916, as compared with that for the period 1890 to 1906, it seems clear, as stated above, that there has been a decided check upon the development of local church organizations. From the specific instances noted, as well as from others not mentioned in the text, it would appear also that this is due largely to three facts: A more careful enumeration; the elimination of organizations practically lifeless; and the consolidation of organizations in the interest of efficient church work.

## CHURCH MEMBERS.

### TOTAL MEMBERS.

The members of a local church organization and thus of the denomination to which the church belongs are those individual persons who are recognized as constituent parts of the organization. The application of the term, therefore, to any one organization depends upon the constitution of that church or denomination. The Roman Catholic and Eastern

Churches, orthodox or independent, consider as members all persons, including infants, who have been baptized according to the rites of the church. A Baptist church considers as members only those who, having formally applied for membership at an age when mature decision is possible, are then baptized and enrolled as members. Between these two there is every variety of interpretation. The broad Catholic application of the term is made by many, perhaps.

most, Anglican or Episcopal churches; a somewhat modified form by Lutheran churches. Presbyterian churches in general consider that the baptized infant, while not a full member, is a ward of the church and only needs a public acceptance of the relation to become a full member. The Methodist Episcopal Church classes all baptized children as preparatory members, who as soon as they come to years of discretion are to be gathered into classes, instructed in the doctrine and government of the church, and then admitted to full membership. In such bodies as the Bahais, Spiritualist associations, etc., there is simply a formal enrollment and in some cases even that seems to be lacking, and the membership is merely the aggregate of the number of persons who habitually meet for conference or services. The membership of Jewish congregations varies. In some congregations it is limited to seat holders, in others to heads of families, in others to contributors, etc.

This situation made it evident that there was no accurate basis for comparison, and at the census of 1890, the first at which any effort to report membership was undertaken, the term "members" was limited by the term "communicant," and included in Christian bodies only those who were entitled to partake of the Lord's Supper, and in other bodies those who were definitely enrolled and could participate in the conduct of the organization. In order to put the figures for all the different bodies on a comparable basis, the number who had been confirmed to full membership was called for in bodies that included baptized children as members. For most of the bodies it was fairly easy to obtain this information. With regard to the Roman Catholic Church, however, there were no records available. It was learned that in general a Roman Catholic child partook of the first communion when about 9 years of age. Recurring to the United States census tables of age distribution, and making some allowance for the preponderance of adults in immigration from Roman Catholic

countries, it was decided to accept the figures for the Roman Catholic population, deduct 15 per cent, and take the remainder as virtually constituting the communicant membership of that church. The same method was followed at the census of 1906, although its disadvantages were recognized.

In preparing for the census of 1916 it became evident that the conditions on which the 15 per cent deduction were based were no longer existent. The average age of confirmation in the Roman Catholic Church had dropped, in many cases, from 9 years to 8 or 7, and there had been an influx of members of the Eastern Orthodox and other Oriental Churches, which had to be recognized. It appeared also that the trend in the Protestant Episcopal Church and in many Lutheran synods was toward the classification of all baptized persons as members, and also that there was considerable divergence, even in the same body, in the use of the term "communicant." In addition to these differences a query arose as to whether the Census Bureau has a right arbitrarily to define a term used variously by different bodies. Accordingly it was decided to drop the term "communicant" and accept from each body its own report of members so far as the general presentation was concerned. This decision necessitates the restoration in comparative tables of the 15 per cent deducted from the membership reported for the Roman Catholic Church in 1906 and in 1890, and the number of members for the Roman Catholic Church and for "all denominations" will differ to that extent from the published reports of those two censuses.

The following table shows the total membership of the denominations reporting 10,000 members or over in 1916, together with the per cent distribution, by denominations, for 1916, 1906, and 1890, and the increase and rate of increase for the three periods. For a full report of membership for all denominations in 1916, see Table 60, page 142, and for a comparison with the two preceding censuses, see Table 67, page 526.

TABLE 5.—CHURCH MEMBERS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	CHURCH MEMBERS.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.
All denominations.....	41,926,854	35,068,058	21,699,432	100.0	100.0	100.0	20,227,422	93.2	6,858,796	19.6	13,368,626	61.6
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	30,597	26,799	25,816	0.1	0.1	0.1	4,781	18.5	3,798	14.2	983	3.8
Seventh-day Adventist.....	79,355	62,211	28,991	0.2	0.2	0.1	50,364	173.7	17,144	27.6	33,220	114.6
Armenian Church.....	27,460	19,889	335	0.1	0.1	(*)	27,115	(*)	7,561	38.0	19,554	(*)
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	1,232,135	1,052,105	800,025	2.9	3.0	3.7	432,110	54.0	180,030	17.1	252,080	31.5
Southern Baptist Convention.....	2,708,870	2,009,471	1,280,066	6.5	5.7	5.9	1,428,804	111.6	669,399	34.8	729,405	57.0
National Baptist Convention.....	2,938,579	2,261,607	1,348,989	7.0	6.4	6.2	1,589,580	117.8	676,972	29.9	912,618	67.7
* Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.												

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation regarding change in number of members for the Roman Catholic Church, above.

<sup>3</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>4</sup> Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.



## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

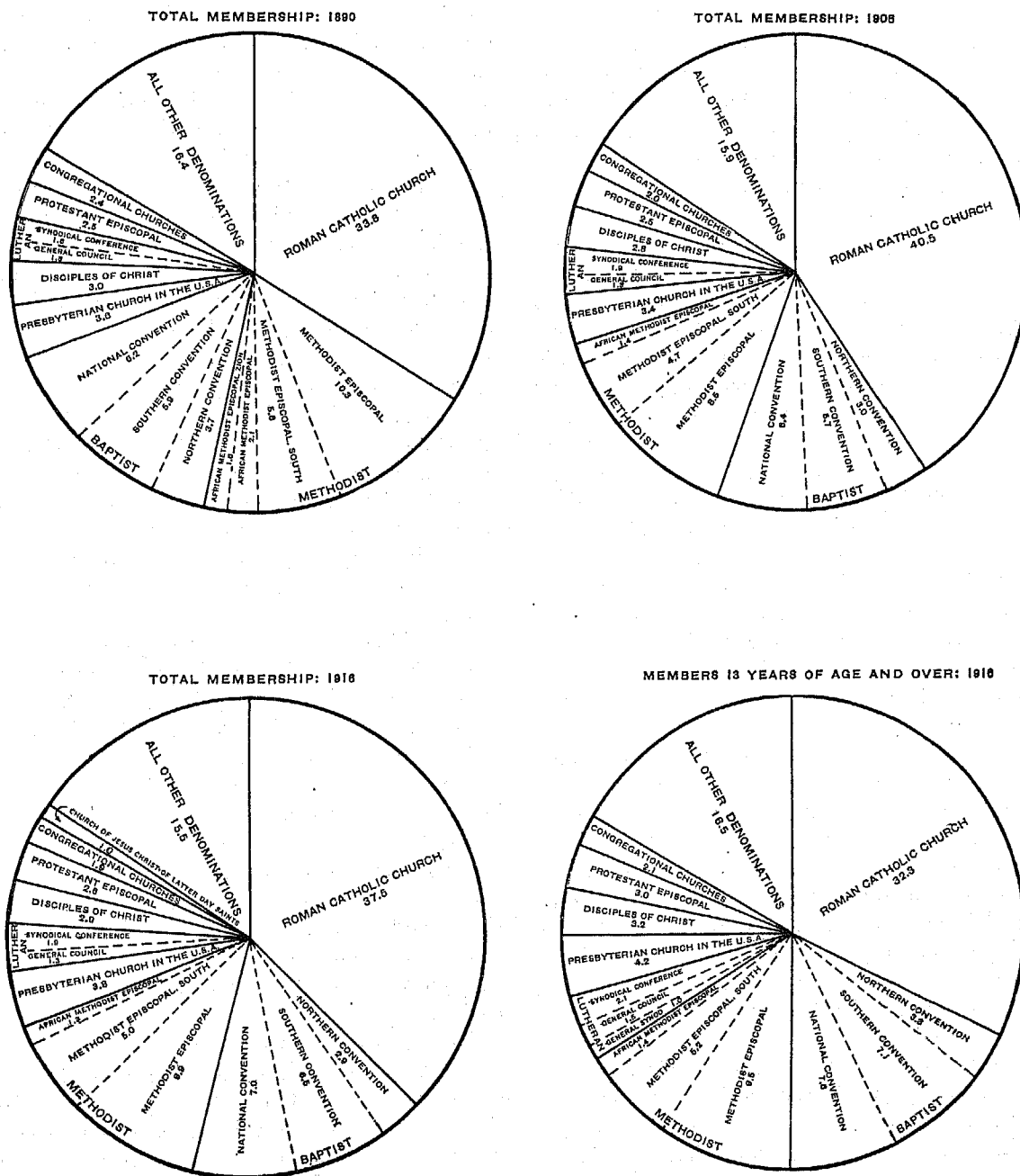
TABLE 5.—CHURCH MEMBERS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	CHURCH MEMBERS.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
							Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.
Baptist bodies—Continued.												
Free Baptists.....	12,570	81,359	87,898	(2)	0.2	0.4	-75,328	-85.7	-68,789	-84.5	-6,539	-7.4
Free Will Baptists.....	54,833	40,280	11,864	0.1	0.1	0.1	42,969	302.2	14,553	36.1	28,416	239.5
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	13,362	14,489	.....	(2)	(2)	.....	13,362	.....	-1,127	-7.8	14,489	.....
General Baptists.....	33,466	30,097	21,362	0.1	0.1	0.1	12,104	56.7	3,369	11.2	8,735	40.9
Regular Baptists <sup>3</sup> .....	21,521	(4)	(4)	0.1	.....	.....	21,521	.....	21,521	.....	489	3.7
United Baptists.....	22,097	13,698	13,209	0.1	(2)	0.1	8,888	67.3	8,399	61.3	.....	.....
Primitive Baptists <sup>3</sup> .....	80,311	102,311	116,271	0.2	0.3	0.5	-20,816	-17.9	-22,000	-21.5	21,116	18.2
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>3</sup> .....	15,144	35,076	.....	(2)	0.1	.....	.....	.....	-10,932	-50.8	.....	.....
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>2</sup> .....	105,102	76,547	61,101	0.3	0.2	0.3	44,001	72.0	28,555	37.3	15,446	25.3
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	24,080	17,042	8,089	0.1	(2)	(2)	15,971	197.4	7,018	41.2	8,953	110.7
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	13,717	10,566	6,661	(2)	(2)	(2)	7,056	105.9	3,151	29.8	3,905	58.6
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	118,737	110,117	103,722	0.3	0.3	0.5	15,015	14.5	8,620	7.8	6,395	6.2
Christian Union.....	13,692	13,905	18,214	(2)	(2)	0.1	-4,522	-24.8	-213	-1.5	-4,309	-23.7
Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	317,937	159,658	.....	0.8	0.5	.....	317,937	.....	158,279	98.1	159,658	.....
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	28,376	24,356	22,511	0.1	0.1	0.1	5,865	26.1	4,020	16.5	1,845	8.2
Congregational Churches.....	761,274	700,480	512,771	1.9	2.0	2.4	278,503	54.3	90,794	13.0	187,709	28.6
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	1,226,028	952,701	641,051	2.9	2.8	3.0	584,977	91.3	243,327	24.8	341,650	53.3
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	119,871	90,751	100	0.3	0.3	(2)	119,771	(6)	29,120	32.1	90,651	(6)
Russian Church.....	99,681	19,111	500	0.2	0.1	(2)	99,181	(6)	80,570	42.6	18,611	(6)
Serbian Church.....	14,301	15,742	.....	(2)	(2)	.....	14,301	.....	-1,441	-9.2	15,742	.....
Syrian Church.....	11,591	4,002	.....	(2)	(2)	.....	11,591	.....	7,589	189.6	4,002	.....
Evangelical Association.....	120,756	104,898	133,313	0.3	0.3	0.6	-12,557	-9.4	15,858	15.1	-28,415	-21.3
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	17,962	34,704	36,156	(2)	0.1	0.2	-18,194	-50.3	-16,742	-48.2	-1,452	-4.0
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	92,379	91,161	80,655	0.2	0.3	0.4	11,724	14.5	1,218	1.3	10,506	13.0
Friends (Hicksite).....	17,170	18,580	21,992	(2)	0.1	0.1	-4,822	-21.9	-1,390	-7.5	-3,432	-15.6
German Evangelical Synod.....	339,853	293,137	187,432	0.8	0.8	0.9	152,421	81.3	46,716	15.9	105,705	56.4
Independent churches.....	54,393	73,673	13,360	0.1	0.2	0.1	41,033	307.1	-19,280	-26.2	60,313	451.4
Jewish congregations.....	357,135	101,467	130,496	0.9	0.3	0.6	226,639	173.7	255,678	252.0	-29,039	-22.3
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	403,388	215,796	144,352	1.0	0.6	0.7	259,036	179.4	187,592	86.9	71,444	49.5
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	58,941	40,851	21,773	0.1	0.1	0.1	37,168	170.7	18,090	44.3	19,078	87.6
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	370,715	270,221	164,640	0.9	0.8	0.8	206,075	125.2	100,494	37.2	105,581	64.1
United Synod, South.....	56,656	47,747	37,457	0.1	0.1	0.2	19,199	51.3	8,909	18.7	10,290	27.5
General Council.....	540,642	462,177	276,433	1.3	1.3	1.3	264,159	95.5	78,465	17.0	185,694	67.2
Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	777,701	660,670	357,163	1.9	1.9	1.6	420,548	117.8	117,031	17.7	303,517	85.0
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	29,893	33,268	14,730	0.1	0.1	0.1	15,163	102.9	-3,375	-10.1	18,538	125.9
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	112,673	107,712	55,452	0.3	0.3	0.3	57,221	103.2	4,961	4.6	52,260	94.2
United Norwegian Church.....	176,084	185,027	119,972	0.4	0.5	0.6	56,112	46.8	-8,943	-4.8	65,055	54.2
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	104,968	123,408	69,505	0.4	0.4	0.3	95,463	137.3	41,580	33.7	53,903	77.6
Synod of Iowa.....	130,793	110,254	48,363	0.3	0.3	0.2	82,430	170.4	20,539	18.6	61,891	128.0
Danish Lutheran Church.....	14,544	12,541	10,181	(2)	(2)	(2)	4,363	42.0	2,003	16.0	2,360	23.2
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	18,881	12,907	1,385	(2)	(2)	(2)	17,496	(2)	5,974	46.3	11,522	831.9
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	28,180	26,928	.....	0.1	0.1	.....	28,180	.....	1,252	4.6	26,928	.....
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	17,324	16,340	3,493	(2)	(2)	(2)	13,831	396.0	984	6.0	12,847	367.8
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church <sup>2</sup> .....	34,965	26,314	27,179	0.1	0.1	0.1	7,786	28.6	8,651	32.9	-865	-3.2
General Conference of Mennonites.....	15,407	11,661	5,879	(2)	(2)	(2)	9,528	162.1	3,746	32.1	5,782	98.4
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	3,717,785	2,986,154	2,240,354	8.9	8.5	10.3	1,477,431	65.9	731,631	24.5	745,800	33.3
Methodist Protestant.....	186,908	178,544	141,989	0.4	0.5	0.7	44,919	31.6	8,364	4.7	36,555	25.7
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	20,778	20,043	16,492	(2)	0.1	0.1	4,286	26.0	735	3.7	3,551	21.5
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	2,114,479	1,638,480	1,209,976	5.0	4.7	5.6	904,503	74.8	475,999	20.1	428,504	35.4
Congregational Methodist.....	12,503	14,739	8,705	(2)	(2)	(2)	3,738	42.6	-2,226	-15.1	5,964	68.0
Free Methodist.....	35,291	32,838	22,110	0.1	0.1	0.1	13,181	59.6	2,453	7.5	10,728	48.5
African Methodist Episcopal.....	548,355	494,777	452,725	1.3	1.4	2.1	95,630	21.1	53,578	10.8	42,052	9.3
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	257,169	184,542	349,788	0.6	0.5	1.6	-92,619	-26.5	72,627	39.4	-165,246	-47.2
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	245,749	172,996	129,383	0.6	0.5	0.6	116,366	89.9	72,753	42.1	43,613	33.7
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	26,373	17,155	11,745	0.1	(2)	0.1	14,628	124.5	9,218	53.7	5,410	46.1
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	32,259	6,657	.....	0.1	(2)	.....	32,259	.....	25,602	384.6	6,657	.....
Polish National Catholic Church.....	28,245	15,473	.....	0.1	(2)	.....	28,245	.....	12,772	82.5	15,473	.....
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,611,251	1,179,566	787,743	3.8	3.4	3.6	823,508	104.5	431,685	36.6	391,823	49.7
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	72,032	195,770	164,940	0.2	0.6	0.8	-92,888	-56.3	-123,718	-63.2	30,830	18.7
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	13,077	18,068	12,956	(2)	0.1	0.1	121	0.9	-4,989	-27.6	5,110	39.4
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	14,566	13,280	12,722	(2)	(2)	0.1	1,844	14.5	1,286	9.7	558	4.4
United Presbyterian.....	160,726	130,342	94,402	0.4	0.4	0.4	66,324	70.3	30,384	23.3	35,940	38.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	357,799	266,345	179,721	0.9	0.8	0.8	178,048	99.1	91,424	34.3	86,624	48.2
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	15,124	13,201	8,501	(2)	(2)	(2)	6,623	77.9	1,923	14.6	4,700	55.3
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,092,821	896,942	532,048	2.6	2.5	2.5	560,773	105.4	205,879	23.2	354,894	66.7
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	144,929	124,938	92,970	0.3	0.4	0.4	51,959	55.9	19,991	18.0	31,968	34.4
Reformed Church in the United States.....	344,374	292,654	204,018	0.8	0.8	0.9	140,356	68.8	51,720	17.7	88,636	43.4
Christian Reformed Church.....	38,668	26,669	12,470	0.1	0.1	0.1	26,198	210.1	11,999	45.0	14,199	113.9
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	11,050	9,682	8,455	(2)	(2)	(2)	2,595	30.7	1,368	14.1	1,227	14.5
Roman Catholic Church.....	15,721,815	14,210,755	77,343,188	37.5	40.5	33.8	8,378,629	114.1	1,511,060	10.6	6,867,569	93.5
Salvation Army.....	35,954	22,908	8,742	0.1	0.1	(2)	27,212	311.3	13,046	56.9	14,166	102.0
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	29,164	20,760	.....	0.1	0.1	.....	29,164	.....	8,404	40.5	20,760	.....
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>2</sup> .....	23,197	35,056	45,030	0.1	0.1	0.2	-21,833	-48.5	-11,859	-33.8	-9,974	-22.1
Unitarians.....	82,515	70,542	67,749	0.2	0.2	0.3	14,766	21.8	11,973	17.0	2,	

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>4</sup> Not reported.<sup>5</sup> Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.



DIAGRAM 2.—DISTRIBUTION OF TOTAL MEMBERSHIP BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1890, 1906, AND 1916.  
MEMBERSHIP 13 YEARS AND OVER: 1916.



The total number of church members reported in 1916 was 41,926,854, as compared with a total of 35,068,058 for 1906, and of 21,699,432 for 1890. The increase for the 26-year period 1890 to 1916 was 20,227,422, or 93.2 per cent; for the 10-year period 1906 to 1916 it was 6,858,796, or 19.6 per cent; and for the 16-year period 1890 to 1906 it was 13,368,626, or 61.6 per cent. In noting these comparisons it is to be remembered that the periods covered are not uniform; also, that the method adopted in 1890 for collecting the statistics was essentially different from that adopted in 1906 and 1916. In 1890 the returns were furnished by the denominational authorities; in 1906 and 1916 they were furnished by the individual church organizations. The proportion of organizations in the different denominations reporting membership was higher in 1916 than in 1906. In 1916, as shown in Table 2, page 22, out of 227,487 organizations, only 769 organizations, or 0.3 per cent, failed to report membership, while in 1906, out of 212,230 organizations, 1,812 organizations, or 0.9 per cent, failed to make such report. This was characteristic of practically all the denominations, though a very few showed an increase in the number of organizations failing to report members. For the Southern Baptist Convention the record was 47 in 1916 against 29 in 1906; for the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 21 against 8; for the Roman Catholic Church, 112 in 1916 against 10 in 1906. On the other hand, in the Methodist Episcopal Church the number that failed to report dropped from 201 in 1906 to 27 in 1916, in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, from 148 to 36, and in the Protestant Episcopal Church from 120 to 47. In general, thus, the returns are more satisfactory.

Any presentation of the relation of the total membership of the religious bodies in the United States to the total population of the country at the three periods when these religious censuses have been taken is of very uncertain value, on account of the variety of interpretation of the term "members," by the different bodies; and because of the fact that the returns for membership do not represent a specific date, and the further fact that while the figures for population for 1890 are those of the Federal census, those for the other two periods are estimates.

The relative standing of the larger bodies, as indicated in Table 5 by the per cent of the total membership contributed by each, has not materially changed during the periods under review. The Lutheran bodies contributed a very nearly uniform percentage at the three years, as did also the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, the Protestant Episcopal Church, and others. The percentage in the Southern Baptist Convention advanced from 5.9 in 1890 to 6.5 in 1916, with an intermediate drop to 5.7 per cent in 1906; the Roman Catholic Church increased

its percentage from 33.8 in 1890 to 40.5 in 1906, falling off in 1916 to 37.5. The proportions of the larger bodies at the three censuses are also shown by Diagram 2 on page 31, for the denominations reporting at least 1 per cent of the total church membership.

Comparing the increases during the two periods, much the same situation appears as was noted in regard to church organizations, though in a less degree. The period 1890 to 1906 was one of expansion, the period 1906 to 1916 was one of consolidation. There was growth in each period, but that in the second was at a less rate than that in the first, even though allowance be made for the longer time covered. Aside from the two denominations which were largely consolidated with other bodies—the Free Baptists with the Northern Baptist Convention, and the greater part of the Cumberland Presbyterian with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America—there were very few that showed a loss in membership. Some of these suffered from the war and the generally disturbed economic conditions, so that complete reports were not received. Among these were the Primitive Baptists, the Congregational Methodist Church, the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and the United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution). In some cases, as the Evangelical Protestant Church, Hauge's Norwegian Lutheran Synod, and the United Norwegian Lutheran Church, there appeared to have been withdrawal to other bodies in connection with the consolidation that took place in those denominations.

The Serbian Orthodox Church probably sent a number to the homeland in its defense. The Independent churches contributed largely to the formation and development of the Christian and Missionary Alliance and the Holiness bodies. A few bodies, as the Hicksite Friends and the Spiritualists' Association, seem to have been losing ground steadily.

The Evangelical Association lost in the first period through the separation from it of the United Evangelical Church, but showed a considerable gain in the second period. The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church lost in the first period through error in the figures reported for 1890, but gained in the second period.

The variations noted in the number of members in the Jewish congregations are due to lack of uniformity in returns. As stated in the consideration of organizations, some congregations report only seat holders, others heads of families, others contributors, or shareholders; some include women, some include only men. The returns for the three periods were furnished by different persons and covered different phases. In 1916 an effort was made to learn the number of adults connected with each synagogue, but the great divergence in the constitution of the synagogues created confusion, and the figures as given for the three

periods can not be regarded as comparable. The Independent churches, too, are so heterogeneous as scarcely to furnish a fair basis for comparison.

In view of the fact that the methods adopted for collecting the statistics in 1916 and 1906 differed from those used in 1890 the comparison of figures for 1916 and 1906 is more significant than that between either of those years and 1890. The following table gives the membership in 1916 of those denominations reporting more than 50,000 members, the increase over the figures reported for 1906, and the rank of each denomination as indicated by the total membership, by the increase in number of members, and by the per cent of increase. The Independent churches and Jewish congregations are omitted.

DENOMINATION.	Members: 1916.	INCREASE OVER 1906. <sup>1</sup>		RANK ACCORDING TO—		
		Number.	Per cent.	Mem- bers in 1916.	Increase over 1906.	
					Num- ber.	Per cent.
Roman Catholic Church.....	15,721,815	1,511,060	10.6	1	1	36
Methodist Episcopal Church....	3,717,785	731,631	24.5	2	2	21
Baptists—National Convention..	2,938,579	678,972	29.9	3	4	15
Baptists—Southern Convention..	2,708,870	692,399	34.8	4	3	11
Methodist Episcopal, South....	2,114,479	476,999	29.1	5	5	16
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,611,251	431,685	36.6	6	6	9
Baptists—Northern Convention..	1,232,135	180,030	17.1	7	10	28
Disciples of Christ.....	1,226,028	245,327	24.8	8	7	20
Protestant Episcopal Church....	1,062,821	205,879	23.2	9	8	23
Congregational Churches.....	791,274	90,794	13.0	10	15	34
Lutheran—Synodical Confer- ence.....	777,701	117,031	17.7	11	12	26
African Methodist Episcopal....	548,355	53,878	10.8	12	21	35
Lutheran—General Council....	540,642	78,465	17.0	13	17	29
Latter Day Saints, Church of Jesus Christ.....	403,388	187,592	86.9	14	9	3
Lutheran—General Synod.....	370,715	100,494	37.2	15	13	8
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	357,769	91,424	34.3	16	14	12
United Brethren in Christ.....	348,828	74,179	27.0	17	18	19
Reformed Church in the United States.....	344,374	51,720	17.7	18	22	27
German Evangelical Synod.....	339,853	46,716	15.9	19	23	32
Churches of Christ.....	317,937	153,279	99.1	20	11	2
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	257,169	72,627	39.4	21	20	6
Colored Methodist Episcopal....	245,749	72,753	42.1	22	19	5
Methodist Protestant.....	186,908	8,804	4.7	23	38	38
United Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	176,084	-8,943	-4.8	24	42	41
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio..	164,968	41,560	33.7	25	24	13
United Presbyterian.....	160,726	30,384	23.3	26	25	22
Reformed Church in America....	144,929	19,991	16.0	27	29	31
Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	130,793	29,539	18.6	28	28	25
Evangelical Association.....	120,750	15,858	15.1	29	33	33
Greek Orthodox (Hellenic)....	119,871	29,120	32.1	30	26	14
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	118,737	8,620	7.8	31	37	37
Synod for Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	112,673	4,901	4.6	32	39	39
Church of the Brethren (Con- servative).....	105,102	28,555	37.3	33	27	7
Russian Orthodox Church.....	99,681	80,570	421.6	34	16	1
Friends (Orthodox).....	92,379	1,218	1.3	35	40	40
United Evangelical.....	89,774	19,892	28.5	36	30	17
Unitarians.....	82,615	11,973	17.0	37	35	30
Primitive Baptists.....	80,311	-22,000	-21.5	38	43	43
Seventh-day Adventists.....	79,355	17,144	27.6	39	32	18
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	72,052	-123,718	-63.2	40	44	44
Latter Day Saints, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	58,941	18,090	44.3	41	31	4
Universalists.....	58,566	-5,592	-8.7	42	41	42
Lutheran—United Synod, South	56,656	8,909	18.7	43	36	24
Free Will Baptists.....	54,833	14,553	36.1	44	34	10

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

The table shows that for the denominations reporting over 1,000,000 members there were only very slight variations in rank as regards members and numerical increase, but that there were great varia-

tions as regards per cent of increase. Thus, the Roman Catholic Church ranks first in number of members and in numerical increase, but in per cent of increase its rank is 36, due in part to the falling off in immigration and possibly to the emigration of Italians, Austrians, French, and others who returned to Europe for the war. The Methodist Episcopal Church ranks 2 in number of members and in numerical increase, but 21 in per cent of increase, while the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, ranking 5 in members and numerical increase, is 16 in per cent of increase. The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America ranks 9 in per cent of increase, which is the highest rank in any of the 9 denominations reporting over 1,000,000 members.

In order of per cent of increase, the Russian Orthodox Church stands first, followed by the Churches of Christ, both bodies of Latter Day Saints, the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, the Church of the Brethren, and the Lutheran General Synod. The Russian Church gained heavily through immigration. The high mark of the Churches of Christ and the two Negro Methodist bodies mentioned above is probably due to a more complete enumeration in 1916. This is also true of the Free Will Baptists, which rank tenth in per cent of increase, and the National Baptist Convention (Negro), which ranks fifteenth.

In the discussion as to the increase or decrease of the number of church organizations reported by different denominations (p. 32), it was stated that the period 1906 to 1916 as compared with the period 1890 to 1916 was a period of consolidation and elimination of weak or dormant churches, and that the record of membership showed a constant, if not uniform, increase during the period under special review (1906 to 1916). This is borne out by the following comparison in Table 7 of the percentages of increase or decrease in membership and in number of organizations for those denominations shown in Table 6.

Of the denominations included in the table and representing a membership of 40,374,127 or 96.3 per cent of the entire church membership, 14 showed a decrease in number of organizations and only 4 a decrease in church membership, due in 2 denominations to consolidation, and in 1 to generally disturbed conditions resulting in incomplete returns. The decrease in number of church organizations in the Greek Orthodox Church was due to a different basis of reporting, but in the others no special reason could be assigned, and a comparison in each case with the per cent of increase in membership shows that the latter rather than the former may fairly be regarded as the measure of the denomination's strength. Thus, the United Evangelical Church shows a decrease of 2.1 per cent in number of organizations, but an in-

crease of 28.5 per cent in membership; the Methodist Episcopal Church a decrease of 2 per cent in organizations, but an increase of 24.5 per cent in membership. The situation is similar in other bodies.

Table 7

DENOMINATION.	PER CENT OF INCREASE: <sup>1</sup> 1906-1916.	
	Members.	Organizations.
Russian Orthodox Church.....	421.6	188.4
Churches of Christ.....	99.1	110.3
Latter Day Saints, Church of Jesus Christ.....	86.9	41.3
Latter Day Saints, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	44.3	12.8
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	42.1	10.1
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	39.4	23.2
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	37.3	21.5
Lutheran—General Synod.....	37.2	6.5
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	36.6	21.7
Free Will Baptists.....	36.1	23.4
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	34.8	12.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	34.3	8.5
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	33.7	7.1
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	32.1	-74.0
Baptists—National Convention.....	28.9	13.9
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	28.1	7.8
United Evangelical.....	28.5	-2.1
Seventh-day Adventists.....	27.6	8.5
United Brethren in Christ.....	27.0	-6.6
Disciples of Christ.....	24.8	1.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	24.5	-2.0
United Presbyterian Church.....	23.3	2.4
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	23.2	8.0
Lutheran—United Synod, South.....	18.7	9.6
Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	18.6	18.0
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	17.7	7.8
Reformed Church in the United States.....	17.7	1.4
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	17.1	-1.4
Lutheran—General Council.....	17.0	11.3
Unitarians.....	17.0	-10.2
Reformed Church in America.....	16.0	8.5
German Evangelical Synod.....	15.9	10.9
Evangelical Association.....	15.1	-7.0
Congregational Churches.....	13.0	2.7
African Methodist Episcopal.....	10.8	-0.2
Roman Catholic Church.....	10.6	40.1
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	7.8	-8.3
Methodist Protestant Church.....	4.7	-13.0
Synod for Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	4.6	6.5
Friends (Orthodox).....	1.3	-7.3
United Norwegian Lutheran.....	-4.8	18.2
Universalists.....	-8.7	-23.2
Primitive Baptists.....	-21.5	-26.7
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	-63.2	-53.8

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

Comparing also the percentages for other bodies, it appears that in the great majority of cases the per cent of increase in membership is much larger than the per cent of increase in organizations. Thus, the Lutheran General Synod reports an increase of 6.5 per cent in number of organizations, but of 37.2 per cent in membership; the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, an increase of 21.7 per cent in number of organizations and of 36.6 per cent in membership. There are only 3 bodies—the Churches of Christ, the Roman Catholic Church, and the Synod for the Norwegian Lutheran Church—for which the table shows a higher per cent of increase for organizations than for membership.

#### ADULT MEMBERS.

In view of the diversity in the methods of reporting members by different bodies, as noted on page 32, it was felt when preparing for the census of 1916 that some fair basis of membership for comparative purposes should be found.

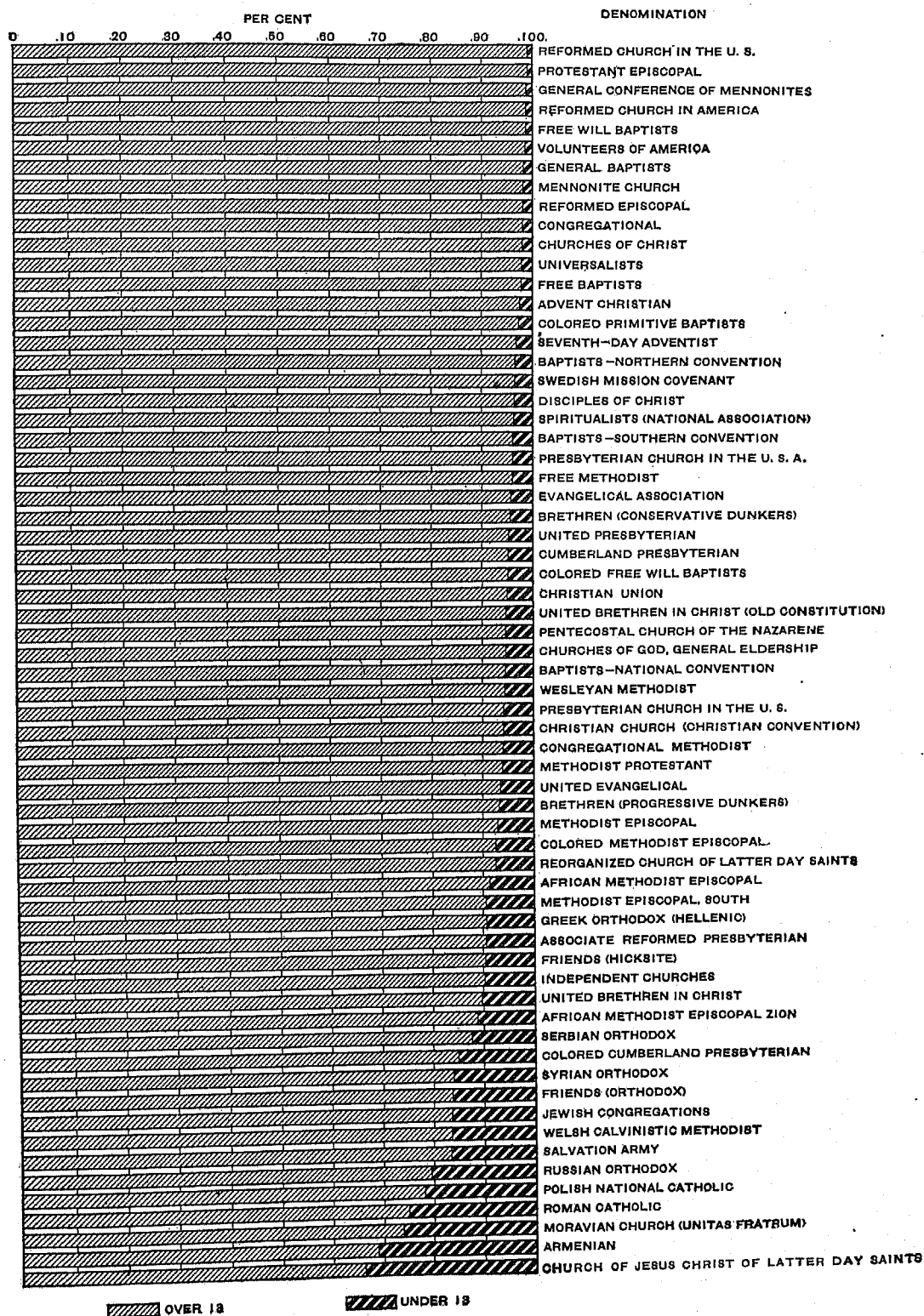
At a conference with representatives of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, the suggestion was made that there be introduced into the schedule a question as to the number of members under a certain age, which might be regarded as a basis of determining adult or responsible membership. This was approved and various ages were suggested, that of 13 being finally adopted; and this age limit was also approved in a conference with a representative of the Roman Catholic Church. An inquiry was therefore introduced into the church schedule calling for the number of members under 13 years of age.

The intent of this inquiry was that total membership of all ages should be reported, and also the number of members under 13 years of age, so that if the latter were deducted, the balance would represent for each church, as near as may be, its adult membership. In the reports from the churches in those denominations which include all baptized persons as members this method was very uniformly observed. In a number of cases, however, the inquiry was misunderstood and from the reports for the item "members under 13 years of age" it was evident that the children of the church, whether enrolled as full members or not, were included; and not infrequently the number reported practically coincided with the Sunday school membership. This confusion necessitated very careful scrutiny of the reports, and a number of cases were referred to persons well acquainted with the custom in the denominations under consideration.

Schedules from a considerable number of churches contained no answer at all to the question. To ignore these or to assume that such churches had no membership under 13 years of age did not seem justifiable, and it was decided to apply to the total membership of each denomination the proportion of members under 13 shown for those churches of the same denomination reporting none or one or more members under 13. The results of this computation were referred in many cases to persons well acquainted with the situation in the denomination and received their cordial approval.

The following table shows, by denominations, the total membership with the number of organizations reporting; the membership of those organizations reporting as to members under 13, and the number of such members actually reported; it also shows the total number of members under 13 years of age as computed, the adult membership obtained by subtracting those under 13 from the members of all ages, and the per cent which each of these classes constitutes of the total membership. A graphic presentation of these proportions (adults and children), for denominations reporting 10,000 members or more and having at least 1 per cent of children under 13 years of age, is given in Diagram 3 on page 35.

DIAGRAM 3.—PER CENT OF MEMBERSHIP OVER AND UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE, IN DENOMINATIONS REPORTING 10,000 OR MORE AND HAVING AT LEAST 1 PER CENT UNDER 13: 1916.



## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 8.—CHURCH MEMBERS, CLASSIFIED AS UNDER AND OVER 13 YEARS OF AGE, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

DENOMINATION.	TOTAL MEMBERS (ALL AGES): 1916.		MEMBERS IN ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING AS TO MEMBERS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE.			MEMBERS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE.		MEMBERS 13 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER.	
	Organizations reporting.	Number reported.	Organizations reporting.	Total number reported.	Number under 13 reported.	Number (computed).	Per cent of total members.	Number.	Per cent of total members.
All denominations.....	226,718	41,926,854	149,280	30,553,574	4,327,369	5,365,134	12.8	36,561,720	87.2
Adventist bodies:									
Advent Christian.....	534	30,597	373	22,694	571	770	2.5	29,827	97.5
Seventh-day Adventist.....	2,011	79,355	1,727	71,911	2,252	2,455	3.1	76,870	96.9
Church of God (Adventist).....	22	848	22	848	59	59	7.0	789	93.0
Life and Advent Union.....	13	558	13	558	5	5	0.8	653	99.2
Churches of God in Christ Jesus.....	87	3,457	57	2,503	5	7	0.2	3,450	99.8
American Rescue Workers.....	29	611	27	589	62	64	10.5	547	89.5
Armenian Church.....	34	27,450	16	15,872	4,938	8,540	31.1	18,910	68.9
Assemblies of God, General Council.....	118	6,703	96	5,788	430	498	7.4	6,205	92.6
Bahais.....	57	2,684	38	2,193	183	241	8.4	2,443	91.6
Baptist bodies:									
Baptists—									
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,148	1,232,135	6,102	982,633	33,360	41,830	3.4	1,190,305	96.6
Southern Baptist Convention.....	23,680	2,708,670	12,673	1,615,983	62,405	104,609	3.9	2,604,261	96.1
National Baptist Convention.....	21,071	2,838,579	12,789	1,867,584	103,391	162,682	5.5	2,775,897	94.5
General Six Principle Baptists.....	10	456	8	362	—	—	—	456	100.0
Seventh Day Baptists.....	68	7,980	54	6,590	106	128	1.6	7,852	98.4
Free Baptists.....	171*	12,570	138	11,224	245	274	2.2	12,296	97.8
Free Will Baptists.....	750	54,833	520	40,430	523	709	1.3	54,124	98.7
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	109	13,862	83	8,814	410	659	4.9	12,703	95.1
Free Will Baptists (Bullockites).....	12	184	—	94	—	—	—	184	100.0
General Baptists.....	517	33,466	345	23,829	417	585	1.8	32,880	98.2
Separate Baptists.....	46	4,254	31	3,203	71	94	2.2	4,160	97.8
Regular Baptists.....	401	21,521	194	11,528	64	119	0.6	21,402	98.4
United Baptists.....	254	22,097	84	7,868	20	56	0.3	22,041	99.7
Duck River (Baptist Church of Christ).....	105	6,872	40	2,632	—	—	—	6,872	100.0
Primitive Baptists.....	2,142	80,311	1,632	61,967	50	65	0.1	80,246	99.9
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	336	15,144	232	10,811	392	392	2.6	14,752	97.4
Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Baptists.....	48	679	42	507	—	—	—	679	100.0
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):									
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	997	105,102	870	93,398	4,000	4,501	4.3	100,601	95.7
Old Order German Baptist.....	87	3,399	31	1,738	—	—	—	3,368	100.0
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	201	24,060	193	23,503	1,570	1,607	6.7	22,453	93.8
German Seventh Day Baptists.....	5	136	5	136	3	3	2.2	133	97.8
Church of God (New Dunkers).....	13	929	13	929	26	26	2.8	903	97.2
Brethren, Plymouth:									
Brethren, Plymouth, I.....	161	3,896	161	3,896	14	14	0.4	3,882	99.6
Brethren, Plymouth, II.....	129	5,928	20	1,149	21	21	0.4	5,907	99.6
Brethren, Plymouth, III.....	17	476	12	318	—	—	—	476	100.0
Brethren, Plymouth, IV.....	72	1,389	67	1,364	—	—	—	1,389	100.0
Brethren, Plymouth, V.....	80	1,820	80	1,820	8	8	0.4	1,812	99.6
Brethren, Plymouth, VI.....	10	208	10	208	—	—	—	208	100.0
Brethren, River:									
Brethren in Christ.....	72	3,805	57	3,175	119	143	3.8	3,662	96.2
Old Order or Yorker.....	9	432	7	393	—	—	—	432	100.0
United Zion's Children.....	31	1,152	25	936	15	18	1.6	1,134	98.4
Buddhists:									
Chinese temples <sup>1</sup> .....	12	5,636	12	5,636	223	223	4.0	5,416	96.0
Japanese temples.....	13	2,768	13	2,768	759	759	27.4	2,009	72.6
Catholic Apostolic Church.....	145	2,922	96	2,254	18	21	0.7	2,901	99.3
Christadelphians.....	163	9,625	125	7,504	280	307	3.8	9,318	96.2
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....	1,263	118,737	909	91,430	5,402	7,015	5.9	111,722	94.1
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	220	13,692	125	8,050	405	689	5.0	13,003	95.0
Church of God and Saints of Christ.....	5	3,311	53	1,779	408	759	22.9	2,552	77.1
Church of Messianic Message.....	5	266	5	266	3	3	1.1	263	98.9
Churches of Christ.....	5,570	317,937	1,751	108,845	2,127	6,213	2.0	311,724	98.0
Churches of God, General Assembly.....	202	7,784	161	6,644	367	430	5.6	7,354	94.6
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	440	28,376	310	21,015	1,120	1,624	5.4	26,752	94.6
Churches of the Living God:									
Church of the Living God.....	28	1,743	28	1,743	180	180	10.3	1,563	89.7
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship.....	154	9,626	40	4,981	255	493	5.1	9,133	94.9
Church of the Living God, General Assembly.....	10	266	5	161	16	26	9.8	240	90.2
Churches of the New Jerusalem:									
General Convention.....	108	6,352	75	5,127	155	192	3.0	6,160	97.0
General Church.....	15	733	4	215	—	—	—	733	100.0
Communitic societies:									
Amara Society.....	7	1,534	7	1,534	375	375	24.4	1,159	75.6
Shakers.....	12	367	12	367	35	35	9.5	332	90.5
Congregational Churches.....	5,863	791,274	4,484	617,325	11,455	14,683	1.9	779,819	98.1
Disciples of Christ.....	8,396	1,226,028	8,396	1,226,028	45,856	45,856	3.7	1,180,172	96.3
Eastern Orthodox Churches:									
Albanian Church.....	2	410	2	410	90	90	22.0	320	78.0
Bulgarian Church.....	4	1,992	4	1,992	212	212	10.6	1,780	89.4
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	87	119,871	80	86,271	8,140	11,310	9.4	108,561	90.6
Rumanian Church.....	2	1,994	2	1,994	191	191	9.6	1,803	90.4
Serbian Church.....	169	99,681	169	99,681	20,214	20,214	20.3	79,467	79.7
Syrian Church.....	12	14,301	12	14,301	1,752	1,752	12.3	12,549	87.7
Evangelical Association.....	25	11,591	12	6,906	1,096	1,840	15.9	9,751	84.1
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	1,635	120,756	1,200	98,054	4,109	5,166	4.3	115,690	95.7
Evangelistic associations:									
Apostolic Church.....	37	17,962	16	5,012	—	—	—	17,962	100.0
Apostolic Christian Church.....	2	112	1	12	—	—	—	112	100.0
Apostolic Faith.....	54	4,766	54	4,766	—	—	—	4,766	100.0
Christian Congregation.....	24	2,196	17	1,960	557	624	28.4	1,612	73.4
Church of Daniel's Band.....	7	645	4	431	21	31	4.8	614	95.2
Church of God as Organized by Christ.....	6	393	3	353	8	9	2.3	384	97.7
Church Transcendent.....	17	227	17	227	5	5	2.2	222	97.8
Hephzibah Faith Missionary.....	3	91	—	—	—	—	—	91	100.0
Lumber River Mission.....	12	352	7	263	41	55	15.6	297	84.4
Metropolitan Church.....	6	434	2	136	—	—	—	434	100.0
Missionary Church.....	7	704	5	669	222	234	33.2	470	66.8
Peniel Missions.....	25	1,554	19	1,260	31	38	2.4	1,516	97.6
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	9	257	5	173	6	9	3.5	248	96.5
Pillar of Fire.....	10	218	10	218	1	1	0.5	217	99.5
Voluntary Missionary Society.....	21	1,129	9	718	110	173	15.3	956	84.7
	4	855	4	855	35	35	4.1	820	95.9

<sup>1</sup> No statistics available.



## CHURCH MEMBERS.

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TABLE 8.—CHURCH MEMBERS, CLASSIFIED AS UNDER AND OVER 13 YEARS OF AGE, BY DENOMINATIONS:  
1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	TOTAL MEMBERS (ALL AGES): 1916.		MEMBERS IN ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING AS TO MEMBERS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE.			MEMBERS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE.		MEMBERS 13 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER.	
	Organiza- tions re- porting.	Number reported.	Organiza- tions re- porting.	Total number reported.	Number under 13 reported.	Number (computed).	Per cent of total mem- bers.	Number.	Per cent of total mem- bers.
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	6,225	25	4,225	1,130	1,665	26.7	4,560	73.3
Friends:									
Friends (Orthodox).....	805	92,379	673	77,268	12,408	14,837	16.1	77,542	83.9
Friends (Hicksite).....	106	17,170	163	15,523	1,498	1,656	9.6	15,514	90.4
Friends (Wilburite).....	50	3,373	47	3,270	651	670	19.9	2,703	80.1
Friends (Primitive).....	2	60	2	60				60	100.0
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,331	339,853	940	250,701				339,853	100.0
Holliness Church.....	33	926	15	438	21	44	4.8	882	95.2
Independent churches.....	552	54,393	404	43,456	4,240	5,307	9.8	49,089	90.2
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	109	6,270	118	4,019	168	221	4.2	5,055	85.8
Jacobite Church (Assyrian).....	15	748	15	748	298	298	39.8	450	60.2
Jewish congregations.....	1,619	357,135	1,200	248,354	40,255	57,887	16.2	299,248	83.8
Latter Day Saints:									
Church of Jesus Christ.....	965	403,388	945	397,032	133,885	136,028	33.7	267,260	66.3
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	565	58,941	523	52,983	3,962	4,408	7.5	54,533	92.5
Lithuanian National Catholic Church.....	7	7,343	7	7,343	3,131	3,131	42.6	4,212	57.4
Lutheran bodies:									
General Synod.....	1,846	370,715	826	170,868				370,715	100.0
United Synod, South.....	492	56,656	138	14,760				56,656	100.0
General Council.....	2,386	540,642	385	122,781				540,642	100.0
Synodical Conference.....	3,620	777,701	266	82,978				777,701	100.0
Norwegian Lutheran Church—									
Hauge's Synod.....	362	29,893	14	957				29,893	100.0
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	987	112,673	4	80				112,673	100.0
United Norwegian Church.....	1,691	176,084	4	257				176,084	100.0
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	826	164,968	399	87,840				164,968	100.0
Synod of Buffalo.....	20	6,128	7	784				6,128	100.0
Ekelsen's Synod.....	42	1,206	11	543				1,206	100.0
Synod of Iowa.....	977	130,793	147	5,445				130,793	100.0
Danish Lutheran Church.....	101	14,544	70	11,610				14,544	100.0
Icelandic Synod.....	14	1,830	5	635				1,830	100.0
Immanuel Synod.....	15	2,978	8	1,083				2,978	100.0
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	134	18,881	123	17,069				18,881	100.0
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	376	28,180	4	92				28,180	100.0
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	192	17,324	154	14,028				17,324	100.0
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	64	7,933	43	5,750				7,933	100.0
Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish).....	47	6,664	15	2,265				6,664	100.0
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	23	892	11	455				892	100.0
Jehovah Conference.....	6	831	6	831				831	100.0
Mennonite bodies:									
Mennonite Church.....	307	34,965	249	30,024	540	629	1.8	34,336	98.2
Hutterian Brethren.....	17	1,082	3	103				1,082	100.0
Conservative Amish.....	13	1,066	11	805				1,066	100.0
Old Order Amish.....	88	7,665	79	6,803				7,665	100.0
Church of God in Christ.....	21	1,125	21	1,125				1,125	100.0
Old Order Mennonite (Wisler).....	22	1,608	21	1,537				1,608	100.0
Reformed Mennonite.....	20	1,281	25	1,122				1,281	100.0
General Conference of Mennonites.....	113	15,407	76	9,825	108	169	1.1	15,238	98.9
Defenseless Mennonites.....	11	854	11	854	7	7	0.8	847	99.2
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	108	4,737	86	3,847	306	377	8.0	4,360	92.0
Mennonite Brethren Church.....	53	5,127	39	3,729	50	69	1.3	5,058	98.7
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde.....	13	894	7	262				894	100.0
Kleine Gemeinde.....	3	171						171	100.0
Central Conference of Mennonites.....	17	2,101	14	1,904	114	126	6.0	1,975	94.0
Conference of Defenseless Mennonites.....	15	1,171	7	649				1,171	100.0
Stauffer Mennonites.....	5	209	4	194				209	100.0
Methodist bodies:									
Methodist Episcopal.....	29,315	3,717,785	19,244	2,744,984	192,740	261,046	7.0	3,456,739	93.0
Methodist Protestant.....	2,473	186,908	2,171	173,772	10,664	11,470	6.1	175,438	93.9
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	679	20,778	382	14,761	822	1,167	5.6	19,621	94.4
Primitive Methodist.....	93	9,353	81	8,882	734	791	8.5	8,562	91.5
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	19,184	2,114,479	13,018	1,593,436	150,836	199,408	9.4	1,915,071	90.6
Congregational Methodist.....	197	12,603	135	9,411	563	748	6.0	11,755	94.0
Free Methodist.....	1,698	35,291	1,083	25,426	1,018	1,413	4.0	33,878	96.0
New Congregational Methodist.....	24	1,256	15	722	22	38	3.0	1,218	97.0
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,633	548,355	5,411	456,268	40,068	48,155	8.3	500,200	91.2
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,716	257,169	2,223	230,853	25,678	28,065	11.1	228,564	88.9
Colored Methodist Protestant.....	26	1,967	23	1,603	199	244	12.4	1,723	87.6
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	67	3,624	52	2,976	129	167	4.8	3,457	95.7
African Union Methodist Protestant.....	58	3,751	51	3,556	388	409	10.9	3,342	89.1
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,621	245,749	1,728	189,173	14,229	18,484	7.5	227,265	92.5
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	47	3,977	42	3,646	346	377	9.5	3,600	90.5
African American Methodist Episcopal.....	28	1,810	28	1,810	65	65	3.6	1,745	96.4
Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal.....	27	2,196	27	2,196	4	4	0.2	2,192	99.8
Moravian bodies:									
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	110	26,373	110	26,373	6,877	6,877	26.1	19,496	73.9
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	23	1,714	23	1,714				1,714	100.0
Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	3	320	3	320				320	100.0
New Apostolic Church.....	20	3,828	20	3,828	953	953	24.9	2,875	75.1
Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith.....	58	2,273	26	647	30	105	4.6	2,168	95.4
Old Catholic Churches in America:									
Old Roman Catholic.....	12	4,700	3	1,300	480	1,735	36.9	2,965	63.1
American Catholic.....	3	475						475	100.0
Catholic Church of North America.....	6	9,025	1	300				9,025	100.0
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	866	32,259	482	18,310	962	1,748	5.4	30,511	94.6
Pentecostal Holiness Church.....	192	5,853	97	2,889	125	232	4.3	5,121	87.5
Polish National Catholic Church.....	34	28,245	28	21,534	4,663	6,156	21.8	22,089	78.2
Presbyterian bodies:									
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,639	1,611,251	7,021	1,283,312	49,444	62,079	3.9	1,549,172	96.1
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,813	72,052	837	50,937	2,502	3,539	4.9	68,513	95.1
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	136	13,077	130	12,729	1,904	1,966	15.0	11,121	85.0
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	134	14,566	104	11,056	1,950	2,376	18.3	12,190	83.7
United Presbyterian.....	991	160,726	846	139,714	6,638	7,636	4.8	153,090	95.2
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,365	367,769	2,564	292,660	17,221	21,052	5.9	336,717	94.1
Associate Synod of North America.....	12	490	9	354				490	100.0
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	183	15,124	114	12,756	1,197	1,419	9.4	13,705	90.6
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	103	8,185	87	6,858	425	507	6.2	7,678	93.8
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod.....	14	2,886	11	2,222	49	53	2.2	2,333	97.8

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TABLE 8.—CHURCH MEMBERS, CLASSIFIED AS UNDER AND OVER 13 YEARS OF AGE, BY DENOMINATIONS:  
1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	TOTAL MEMBERS (ALL AGES): 1916.		MEMBERS IN ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING AS TO MEMBERS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE.			MEMBERS UNDER 13 YEARS OF AGE.		MEMBERS 13 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER.	
	Organizations reporting.	Number reported.	Organizations reporting.	Total number reported.	Number under 13 reported.	Number (computed).	Per cent of total members.	Number.	Per cent of total members.
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,345	1,092,821	2,601	367,465	3,760	11,182	1.0	1,081,639	99.0
Reformed bodies:									
Reformed Church in America.....	715	144,929	539	115,881	1,555	1,945	1.3	142,984	98.7
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,758	344,374	897	177,616	1,861	3,008	1.0	340,766	99.0
Christian Reformed Church.....	228	38,668	51	11,067				38,098	100.0
Hungarian Reformed Church.....	46	9,851	30	6,576				9,851	100.0
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	74	11,050	43	7,474	131	194	1.8	10,856	98.2
Roman Catholic Church.....	17,375	15,721,815	14,469	12,898,788	3,219,732	3,924,402	25.0	11,797,413	75.0
Salvation Army.....	742	35,954	742	35,954	5,914	5,914	16.4	30,040	83.6
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:									
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	324	29,164	228	22,169	749	985	3.4	28,179	96.6
Swedish Free Church.....	102	6,208	81	5,425	71	81	1.3	6,127	98.7
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....	32	2,444	24	1,572	21	33	1.4	2,411	98.6
Schwengfelders.....	6	1,127	5	633	10	18	1.6	1,109	98.4
Social Brethren.....	19	950	19	950				950	100.0
Society for Ethical Culture.....	5	2,850	4	2,600				2,850	100.0
Spiritualists:									
Spiritualists (National Association).....	343	23,197	244	16,744	628	870	3.8	22,327	96.2
Progressive Spiritual Church.....	11	5,831	3	139				5,831	100.0
Temple Society.....	2	260	2	260	37	37	14.2	223	85.8
Theosophical societies:									
Theosophical Society.....	17	199	17	199				199	100.0
Theosophical Society, New York.....	1	72	1	72				72	100.0
Theosophical Society, American Section.....	157	5,097	157	5,097				5,097	100.0
Universal Brotherhood.....									
Unitarians.....	411	82,515	289	48,172				82,515	100.0
United Brethren bodies:									
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,481	348,828	2,375	263,831	27,277	36,065	10.3	312,763	89.7
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	408	19,106	291	12,752	678	1,016	5.3	18,090	94.7
United Evangelical Church.....	957	89,774	827	77,771	5,031	5,807	6.5	83,967	93.5
Universalists.....	643	58,566	474	46,166	1,002	1,271	2.2	57,295	97.8
Vedanta Society.....	3	190	1	50				190	100.0
Volunteers of America.....	97	10,204	61	9,374	127	138	1.4	10,066	98.6

1 No statistics available.

The reports from 63 denominations included no figures at all for members under 13 years of age, and the adult membership coincides with the full membership as reported. Among the bodies so reported were the Lutheran bodies, several of the minor Baptist bodies, most of the Mennonite bodies, the Christian Reformed and Hungarian Reformed bodies, the Theosophical societies, the Unitarians, and others. For 32 denominations, the figures reported for members under 13 years were accepted without any addition for churches not reporting, the denominational conditions indicating that all members of this age group had been included in the reports.

For 35 denominations the adult membership was less than 90 per cent of the total membership, the Lithuanian National Catholic Church reporting the lowest percentage, 57.4. The Jacobite (Assyrian) Church reported 60.2 per cent; the Old Roman Catholic Church, 63.1 per cent; the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 66.3 per cent; and the Metropolitan Church Association, 66.8 per cent. The smallest percentages for members under 13 years of age were shown largely for the minor Baptist bodies, and in general for those denominations reporting a large membership in rural districts; the tendency toward the inclusion in full membership of those under that age being more manifest in those denominations with a considerable urban element. The small percentage of members under 13 in some of the Eastern Orthodox Churches, as contrasted with

the Roman Catholic, the Lithuanian, Polish, and other similar bodies, is probably explained by the nature of the immigration which is to a considerable degree adult, while in the Polish and similar churches the family element is stronger.

That the figures shown in this table are exact is not claimed, but as a comparative presentation of the membership of the denominations they are believed to be reasonably accurate. Taking as an illustration the first denomination shown in the table, the Advent Christian Church, it is seen that of the 534 organizations, reporting 30,597 members, 373 organizations, with 22,694 members, reported 571 children under 13 years of age. Applying the proportion existing between the 571 and 22,694 to the total number of members (30,597), the total membership under 13 for this denomination would be 770, or 2.5 per cent of the total membership. Subtracting the number under 13, thus computed, from the total membership reported gives an adult membership of 29,827, or 97.5 per cent of the total. The same method is applied to each single denomination where there was any membership reported under 13, except in a few cases where, as has been stated, it was the judgment of denominational authorities that the number under 13 actually reported on the schedules represented the entire number for that denomination.

The general accuracy of the method may be tested by comparing the number of members under 13 in the Roman Catholic Church, where the membership



represents population, with the population of that age as reported in the general census tables. In this church the percentage of members under 13 represented 25 per cent of the total membership, and the percentage of the total population in 1910 represented by persons under 13 was 28.1, the smaller proportion under 13 in that church, as compared with the general population, being readily accounted for by the pre-

ponderance in the Roman Catholic Church of adult immigrants, especially Italians.

The following table gives, for each denomination reporting over 10,000 members in 1916, the total membership as reported and the total adult membership as computed, with the per cent which the number in each denomination forms of the total number in each class:

TABLE 9.—DISTRIBUTION OF TOTAL AND ADULT MEMBERS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	TOTAL MEMBERS: 1916 (ALL AGES).		ADULT MEMBERS: 1916 (13 AND OVER).		DENOMINATION.	TOTAL MEMBERS: 1916 (ALL AGES).		ADULT MEMBERS: 1916 (13 AND OVER).	
	Number.	Per cent distrib- ution.	Number.	Per cent distrib- ution.		Number.	Per cent distrib- ution.	Number.	Per cent distrib- ution.
All denominations.....	41,926,854	100.0	38,561,720	100.0	Lutheran bodies—Continued.				
Adventist bodies:					Joint Synod of Ohio.....	164,968	0.4	164,968	0.5
Advent Christian.....	30,597	0.1	29,827	0.1	Synod of Iowa.....	130,793	0.3	130,793	0.4
Seventh-day Adventist.....	79,355	0.2	76,870	0.2	Danish Lutheran Church.....	14,544	( <sup>1</sup> )	14,544	( <sup>1</sup> )
Armenian Church.....	27,450	0.1	18,910	0.1	Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	18,881	( <sup>1</sup> )	18,881	0.1
Baptist bodies:					Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	28,180	0.1	28,180	0.1
Baptists—					United Danish Lutheran Church.....	17,324	( <sup>1</sup> )	17,324	( <sup>1</sup> )
Northern Baptist Convention.....	1,232,135	2.9	1,190,305	3.3	Mennonite bodies:				
Southern Baptist Convention.....	2,708,870	6.5	2,604,261	7.1	Mennonite Church.....	34,965	0.1	34,336	0.1
National Baptist Convention.....	2,938,579	7.0	2,775,897	7.6	General Conference of Mennonites.....	15,407	( <sup>1</sup> )	15,238	( <sup>1</sup> )
Free Baptists.....	12,570	( <sup>1</sup> )	12,296	( <sup>1</sup> )	Methodist bodies:				
Free Will Baptists.....	54,833	0.1	54,124	0.1	Methodist Episcopal.....	3,717,785	8.9	3,456,739	9.5
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	13,362	( <sup>1</sup> )	12,703	( <sup>1</sup> )	Methodist Protestant.....	186,908	0.4	175,438	0.5
General Baptists.....	33,466	0.1	32,880	0.1	Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	20,778	( <sup>1</sup> )	19,621	0.1
Regular Baptists.....	21,521	0.1	21,402	0.1	Methodist Episcopal, South.....	2,114,479	5.0	1,915,071	5.2
United Baptists.....	22,097	0.1	22,041	0.1	Congregational Methodist.....	12,503	( <sup>1</sup> )	11,755	( <sup>1</sup> )
Primitive Baptists.....	80,311	0.2	80,246	0.2	Free Methodist.....	35,291	0.1	33,878	0.1
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	15,144	( <sup>1</sup> )	14,752	( <sup>1</sup> )	African Methodist Episcopal.....	548,355	1.3	500,200	1.4
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):					African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	287,169	0.6	228,564	0.6
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	105,102	0.3	100,601	0.3	Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	245,749	0.6	227,265	0.6
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	24,060	0.1	22,453	0.1	Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	28,373	0.1	19,496	0.1
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	13,717	( <sup>1</sup> )	13,674	( <sup>1</sup> )	Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	32,259	0.1	30,511	0.1
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	118,737	0.3	111,722	0.3	Polish National Catholic Church.....	28,245	0.1	22,089	0.1
Christian Union.....	13,692	( <sup>1</sup> )	13,003	( <sup>1</sup> )	Presbyterian bodies:				
Churches of Christ.....	317,937	0.8	311,724	0.9	Presbyterian Church in the United States				
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	28,376	0.1	26,852	0.1	of America.....	1,611,251	3.8	1,549,172	4.2
Congregational Churches.....	791,274	1.9	776,591	2.1	Cumberland Presbyterian.....	72,052	0.2	68,513	0.2
Disciples of Christ.....	1,226,028	2.9	1,180,172	3.2	Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	13,077	( <sup>1</sup> )	11,121	( <sup>1</sup> )
Eastern Orthodox Churches:					Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	14,566	( <sup>1</sup> )	12,180	( <sup>1</sup> )
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	119,871	0.3	108,561	0.3	United Presbyterian.....	100,728	0.4	103,090	0.4
Russian Church.....	99,681	0.2	79,467	0.2	Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	357,769	0.9	336,717	0.9
Serbian Church.....	14,301	( <sup>1</sup> )	12,549	( <sup>1</sup> )	Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	15,124	( <sup>1</sup> )	13,705	( <sup>1</sup> )
Syrian Church.....	11,591	( <sup>1</sup> )	9,751	( <sup>1</sup> )	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,092,821	2.6	1,081,639	3.0
Evangelical Association.....	120,756	0.3	115,590	0.3	Reformed bodies:				
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	17,962	( <sup>1</sup> )	17,962	( <sup>1</sup> )	Reformed Church in America.....	144,929	0.3	142,984	0.4
Friends:					Reformed Church in the United States.....	344,374	0.8	340,766	0.9
Friends (Orthodox).....	92,379	0.2	77,542	0.2	Christian Reformed Church.....	38,668	0.1	38,668	0.1
Friends (Hicksite).....	17,170	( <sup>1</sup> )	15,514	( <sup>1</sup> )	Reformed Episcopal Church.....	11,050	( <sup>1</sup> )	10,856	( <sup>1</sup> )
German Evangelical Synod.....	339,853	0.8	339,853	0.9	Roman Catholic Church.....	15,721,315	37.5	11,797,413	32.3
Independent churches.....	64,393	0.1	49,086	0.1	Salvation Army.....	35,954	0.1	30,040	0.1
Jewish congregations.....	357,135	0.9	299,248	0.8	Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:				
Latter Day Saints:					Swedish Mission Covenant.....	29,184	0.1	28,179	0.1
Church of Jesus Christ.....	403,388	1.0	287,360	0.7	Spiritualists (National Association).....	23,197	0.1	22,327	0.1
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	58,941	0.1	54,533	0.1	Unitarians.....	82,515	0.2	82,515	0.2
Lutheran bodies:					United Brethren bodies:				
General Synod.....	370,715	0.9	370,715	1.0	United Brethren in Christ.....	348,828	0.8	312,763	0.9
United Synod, South.....	56,656	0.1	56,656	0.2	United Brethren in Christ (Old Consti- tution).....	19,106	( <sup>1</sup> )	18,090	( <sup>1</sup> )
General Council.....	540,642	1.3	540,642	1.5	United Evangelical Church.....	89,774	0.2	83,967	0.2
Synodical Conference.....	777,701	1.9	777,701	2.1	Universalists.....	58,586	0.1	57,235	0.2
Norwegian Lutheran Church—					Volunteers of America.....	10,204	( <sup>1</sup> )	10,066	( <sup>1</sup> )
Hauge's Synod.....	29,893	0.1	29,893	0.1	All other denominations.....	299,370	0.7	280,067	0.8
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	112,673	0.3	112,673	0.3					
United Norwegian Church.....	176,084	0.4	170,084	0.5					

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

Of the denominations shown in this table there were only three—the Roman Catholic Church, the Jewish congregations, and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints—which comprise a smaller percentage of adult membership than of total membership reported. In every other case the percentages are either the same or the percentage of adult membership is somewhat higher than that of the total membership. In the Roman Catholic Church the percentages are: Adult membership, 32.3, total membership, 37.5; in the

Jewish congregations, 0.8 against 0.9 per cent; in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 0.7 against 1 per cent. Of other denominations, the Methodist Episcopal Church shows 9.5 per cent of adult membership against 8.9 per cent of total membership; the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 4.2 against 3.8 per cent; the Northern Baptist Convention, 3.3 against 2.9 per cent; the Protestant Episcopal Church, 3 against 2.6 per cent. These comparisons are also graphically presented for

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1916 in the two lower circles on page 31, for the denominations reporting at least 1 per cent of total members and of adult members.

It seems clear from this presentation that adult membership, as shown in these tables, furnishes a better basis for general denominational tables than does the total membership of all ages, even though the differences between the two are by no means so serious as materially to affect the significance of the figures given in the general tables and text.

## MEMBERS BY SEX.

The distribution by sex of the membership of all the religious bodies as reported for 1916 is shown in Table 60 (p. 142). The table below gives, for those bodies reporting 10,000 members or over in 1916, the total membership reported by sex; the per cent of the aggregate number reported by sex; and the percentage which the males and females form of the total membership reported by sex for 1916 as compared with 1906.

TABLE 10.—MEMBERS REPORTED BY SEX, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS: 1916.							MEMBERS: 1906.		
	Total number reported.	Reported by sex.						Per cent reporting sex.	Per cent male.	Per cent female.
		Both sexes.		Male.		Female.				
		Number.	Percent of total.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.			
All denominations .....	41,926,854	35,044,162	85.0	15,653,958	43.9	19,990,204	56.1	89.7	43.5	56.5
Adventist bodies:										
Advent Christian.....	30,597	26,427	86.4	10,807	40.9	15,620	59.1	93.2	40.8	59.2
Seventh-day Adventist.....	79,355	79,355	100.0	26,111	32.9	53,244	67.1	94.7	34.8	65.2
Armenian Church.....	27,450	22,450	81.8	15,334	68.3	7,116	31.7	100.0	75.6	24.4
Baptist bodies:										
Baptists—										
Northern Baptist Convention.....	1,232,135	1,103,017	89.5	417,285	37.8	685,732	62.2	93.1	36.5	63.5
Southern Baptist Convention.....	2,708,870	2,072,201	76.5	869,610	42.0	1,202,591	58.0	94.5	40.7	59.3
National Baptist Convention.....	2,938,579	2,938,238	99.8	1,128,237	38.5	1,805,001	61.5	97.3	37.3	62.7
Free Baptists.....	12,570	12,409	98.7	4,405	35.5	8,004	64.5	85.8	37.3	62.7
Free Will Baptists.....	54,833	54,777	99.9	22,013	40.2	32,764	59.8	94.8	41.1	58.9
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	13,362	13,362	100.0	5,247	39.3	8,115	60.7	54.1	43.9	56.1
General Baptists.....	33,466	31,877	95.3	12,762	40.0	19,115	60.0	93.5	41.1	58.9
Regular Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	21,521	13,155	61.1	4,923	37.4	8,232	62.6			
United Baptists.....	22,097	11,506	52.1	4,291	37.3	7,215	62.7	36.7	42.8	57.2
Primitive Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	80,311	74,075	93.0	28,269	37.9	46,406	62.1	76.8	36.4	63.6
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	15,144	14,699	97.1	5,303	36.1	9,396	63.9	50.7	35.7	64.3
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):										
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>1</sup> .....	105,102	103,135	98.1	44,923	43.6	58,212	56.4	98.5	42.7	57.3
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	24,060	23,648	98.3	9,669	41.0	13,949	59.0	85.9	39.2	60.8
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	13,717	13,717	100.0	5,607	40.9	8,110	59.1	99.9	41.0	58.4
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>1</sup> .....	118,737	105,125	88.5	43,300	41.2	61,825	58.8	91.5	40.4	59.6
Christian Union.....	13,692	13,203	96.4	5,713	43.3	7,490	56.7	93.7	43.2	56.8
Churches of Christ.....	317,937	317,812	99.9	132,755	41.8	185,057	58.2	99.7	41.5	58.5
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	28,376	26,584	93.7	10,758	40.5	15,826	59.5	95.3	39.6	60.4
Congregational Churches.....	791,274	789,412	99.8	281,740	35.7	507,672	64.3	99.2	34.1	65.9
Disciples of Christ.....	1,226,028	933,508	76.1	378,777	40.6	554,731	59.4	94.0	39.7	60.3
Eastern Orthodox Churches:										
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	119,871	79,896	66.7	66,641	83.4	13,255	16.6	54.0	93.9	6.1
Russian Church.....	99,681	99,681	100.0	62,285	62.5	37,396	37.5	100.0	67.6	32.4
Serbian Church.....	14,301	14,301	100.0	11,000	76.9	3,301	23.1	100.0	85.8	14.2
Syrian Church.....	11,591	10,271	88.6	5,702	55.5	4,569	44.5	100.0	60.5	39.5
Evangelical Association.....	120,756	120,569	99.8	49,938	41.4	70,631	58.6	95.9	41.4	58.6
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>1</sup> .....	17,962	15,808	88.0	7,237	45.8	8,571	54.2	88.0	42.0	58.0
Friends:										
Friends (Orthodox).....	92,379	85,136	92.2	38,740	45.5	46,396	54.5	98.5	46.2	53.8
Friends (Hicksite).....	17,170	16,652	96.9	7,504	45.1	9,138	54.9	97.6	46.0	54.0
German Evangelical Synod.....	339,853	283,833	83.5	131,928	46.5	151,905	53.5	85.3	44.7	55.3
Independent churches.....	54,393	48,512	89.2	21,275	43.7	27,337	56.3	88.1	41.4	58.6
Jewish congregations.....	357,135	283,847	79.5	172,414	60.7	111,433	39.3			
Letter Day Saints:										
Church of Jesus Christ.....	403,388	403,388	100.0	194,208	48.1	209,180	51.9	95.6	48.6	51.4
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	58,941	54,998	93.3	23,394	42.5	31,604	57.5	96.7	42.6	57.4
Lutheran bodies:										
General Synod.....	370,715	333,753	90.0	142,164	42.6	191,589	57.4	93.4	40.6	59.4
United Synod, South.....	56,656	56,656	100.0	25,944	45.9	30,590	54.1	87.3	44.5	55.5
General Council.....	540,642	460,688	85.2	208,274	45.2	252,414	54.8	87.3	44.7	55.3
Synodical Conference <sup>1</sup> .....	777,701	687,091	88.5	314,103	47.1	352,988	52.9	88.9	47.4	52.6
Norwegian Lutheran Church—										
Hauge's Synod.....	29,893	21,539	72.1	10,508	48.8	11,031	51.2	70.6	48.2	51.8
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	112,673	104,735	93.0	51,176	48.9	53,559	51.1	88.5	49.1	50.9
United Norwegian Church.....	176,084	163,704	93.0	80,710	49.3	82,994	50.7	75.5	49.2	50.8
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	164,968	140,398	85.1	65,170	46.4	75,228	53.6	87.6	45.6	54.4
Synod of Iowa.....	130,793	126,116	96.4	61,435	48.7	64,681	51.3	95.7	48.4	51.6
Danish Lutheran Church.....	14,544	13,221	91.0	6,402	48.4	6,829	51.6	65.6	49.0	51.0
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	18,881	18,851	99.8	9,175	48.7	9,676	51.3	100.0	52.9	47.1
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	28,180	25,387	90.1	12,327	48.6	13,060	51.4	85.3	47.6	52.4
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	17,324	16,368	94.5	7,960	48.6	8,408	51.4	85.6	48.8	51.2
Mennonite bodies:										
Mennonite Church <sup>1</sup> .....	34,965	34,140	97.6	15,689	46.0	18,451	54.0	100.0	45.7	54.3
General Conference of Mennonites.....	15,407	14,647	95.1	7,013	47.9	7,634	52.1	100.0	47.6	52.4
Methodist bodies:										
Methodist Episcopal.....	3,717,785	3,028,207	81.5	1,187,253	39.2	1,840,954	60.8	93.3	37.4	62.6
Methodist Protestant.....	186,908	186,413	99.7	75,692	40.6	110,721	59.4	94.5	40.5	59.5
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	20,778	19,888	95.7	7,508	37.8	12,380	62.2	96.0	38.7	61.3
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	2,114,479	1,987,704	93.1	810,703	41.2	1,157,001	58.8	87.5	40.9	59.1
Congregational Methodist.....	12,503	12,503	100.0	5,331	42.6	7,172	57.4	88.3	43.6	56.4
Free Methodist.....	35,291	33,380	94.6	11,424	34.2	21,956	65.8	96.1	35.6	64.4
African Methodist Episcopal.....	518,355	516,519	99.7	201,625	36.9	344,894	63.1	97.4	36.9	63.1
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	257,169	256,927	99.9	94,653	36.8	162,274	63.2	97.8	37.2	62.8
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	245,749	245,749	100.0	94,709	38.5	151,040	61.5	97.8	38.4	61.6

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

TABLE 10.—MEMBERS REPORTED BY SEX, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS: 1916.							MEMBERS: 1906.		
	Total number reported.	Reported by sex.						Per cent reporting sex.	Per cent male.	Per cent female.
		Both sexes.		Male.		Female.				
		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.			
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	26,373	25,877	98.1	11,183	43.2	14,694	56.8	87.1	41.3	58.7
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	32,269	22,055	68.4	8,065	36.6	13,990	63.4	79.0	37.4	62.6
Polish National Catholic Church.....	28,245	24,435	86.5	12,777	52.3	11,658	47.7	100.0	55.8	44.2
Presbyterian bodies:										
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,611,251	1,439,208	89.3	565,371	39.3	873,837	60.7	91.2	36.5	63.5
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	72,052	64,547	89.6	27,195	42.1	37,352	57.9	84.8	42.0	58.0
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	13,077	13,077	100.0	5,536	42.3	7,541	57.7	100.0	46.5	53.5
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	14,566	12,510	85.9	5,468	43.7	7,042	56.3	96.3	44.4	55.6
United Presbyterian.....	100,726	155,348	96.7	64,670	41.6	90,678	58.4	97.6	39.9	60.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	357,769	316,821	88.6	130,633	41.2	186,188	58.8	92.0	39.0	61.0
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>1</sup> .....	15,124	14,325	94.7	6,387	44.6	7,938	55.4	95.2	44.8	55.2
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,092,821	791,271	72.4	305,275	38.6	485,996	61.4	79.9	35.5	64.5
Reformed bodies:										
Reformed Church in America.....	144,929	140,218	96.7	55,896	39.9	84,322	60.1	93.7	38.2	61.8
Reformed Church in the United States.....	344,374	311,778	90.5	138,014	44.3	173,764	55.7	94.6	44.0	56.0
Christian Reformed Church.....	38,668	35,235	91.1	17,064	48.4	18,171	51.6	90.9	47.9	52.1
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	11,050	10,744	97.2	4,194	39.0	6,550	61.0	92.8	36.7	63.3
Roman Catholic Church.....	15,721,815	12,569,395	79.9	6,149,035	48.9	6,420,360	51.1	87.0	49.3	50.7
Salvation Army.....	35,964	35,964	100.0	17,003	47.3	18,961	52.7	100.0	51.3	48.7
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>1</sup>										
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	29,184	25,028	85.8	10,593	42.3	14,435	57.7	99.5	43.9	56.1
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>1</sup> .....	23,197	20,614	88.9	8,249	40.0	12,365	60.0	93.9	43.6	56.4
Unitarians.....	82,515	55,863	67.7	22,503	40.3	33,360	59.7	78.9	39.2	60.8
United Brethren bodies:										
United Brethren in Christ.....	348,828	302,556	86.7	123,090	40.7	179,466	59.3	90.0	40.1	59.9
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	19,103	18,623	97.8	7,468	40.3	11,055	59.7	97.4	39.3	60.7
United Evangelical Church.....	89,774	88,015	98.0	35,139	39.0	52,876	60.1	97.1	38.0	62.0
Universalists.....	58,566	55,531	94.8	19,520	35.2	36,011	64.8	80.5	35.4	64.6
Volunteers of America.....	10,204	10,204	100.0	9,194	90.1	1,010	9.9	100.0	52.0	48.0
All other denominations.....	299,370	284,354	95.0	127,423	44.8	156,931	55.2	95.0	36.9	63.1

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

Of the 85 bodies shown in this table, 12 made complete reports, and for 26 others the reports covered over 95 per cent of their membership. In some cases it was possible to secure a basis for estimates of sex, but in others, as in several of the Baptist bodies, the Disciples of Christ, Unitarians, and others, the emphasis laid on the individuality of the local church organizations, made it practically impossible to make use of estimates, and only figures actually reported could be accepted. The United Baptists had the lowest report on sex distribution, only 52.1 per cent of the organizations reporting, while the Regular Baptists ranked next with 61.1 per cent.

Of the 41,926,854 members reported, sex distribution was reported for 35,644,162, or 85 per cent of the total, and of these, 15,653,958, or 43.9 per cent, were males and 19,990,204, or 56.1 per cent, were females. The denominations showing more than 50 per cent of males in the membership are given in the following list:

DENOMINATION.	Per cent males.	DENOMINATION.	Per cent males.
Volunteers of America.....	90.1	Russian Orthodox Church.....	62.5
Greek Orthodox Church.....	83.4	Jewish congregations.....	60.7
Serbian Orthodox Church.....	76.9	Syrian Orthodox Church.....	55.5
Armenian Church.....	68.3	Polish National Catholic Church of America.....	52.3

The high percentage of males shown by the Volunteers of America is due to the inclusion in the figures for 1916 of the members of the Prison League, made up largely of men. It will be noted that, with the

exception of the Jewish congregations, the remaining denominations are composed of those which are contributed to by immigration from countries in which the number of males coming to the United States exceeds the number of females. It should also be noted that in these cases the proportion of males is smaller in 1916 than in 1906. The high percentage of males in the Jewish congregations is doubtless due, as previously stated, to the custom of some organizations to make report only of heads of families or of the male members.

Of the denominations presented in the table, the lowest percentages of males in church membership are shown by the Seventh-day Adventists (32.9), the Free Methodists (34.2), the Universalists (35.2), the Free Baptists (35.5), and the Congregational Churches (35.7).

As compared with the figures for 1906, there has been an advance in the proportion of males in the total membership of all the churches from 43.5 to 43.9, and the same tendency to a proportional increase in male members is shown in a majority of the individual bodies. The very marked increase in the proportion of males reported by the Volunteers of America from 52 to 90.1 was due, as stated above, to the inclusion in the figures for 1916 of the members of the Prison League. Bodies in which there was a considerable increase in the percentage of male members were the Evangelical Protestant Church, the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, the Reformed Episcopal Church,

the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and the Lutheran General Synod.

In addition to the decreased proportion of males in those denominations having a high proportion in 1916, noted above, others showing large decreases are the Colored Free Will Baptists, from 43.9 to 39.3; the United Baptists, from 42.8 to 37.3; and the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian, from 46.5 to 42.3. Of these, the first two may have been due to incomplete returns.

Changes in the percentage of the sexes have taken place in several bodies closely related in denomina-

tional life which seem to indicate an approximation to a more uniform distribution by sex. For instance, in 1906 the percentage of males in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was 40.9 as against 37.4 in the Methodist Episcopal Church, a difference of 3.5, but in 1916 the corresponding percentages were 41.2 and 39.2, or a difference of only 2; the Presbyterian Church in the United States in 1906 showed 39 per cent of male members against 36.5 for the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, a difference of 2.5 in the percentage, which in 1916 had dropped to 1.9.

### CHURCH EDIFICES.

The term "church edifice" covers any building used for religious services and owned in whole or in part by the organization so using it. The building may be consecrated or unconsecrated—a church, a chapel, or a mission; but if it is a separate building, and owned in whole or in part by the organization using it for services, it is classed as a church edifice. In some cases two or more organizations use the same building; if the ownership is a joint one, each organization is credited with an edifice; if, however, the ownership is with one body and the building is rented or used by another body, it is classed in the first case

with church edifices, and, in the latter case, with halls, etc. Many organizations report more than one church edifice.

The number of church edifices is given for 1916, by denominations, in detail in Table 60 (p. 142) and for 1916, 1906, and 1890 in Table 67 (p. 526). The following table shows, for the three censuses, first, the number of church edifices reported for each denomination having 10,000 members or more in 1916; second, the proportion of all church edifices belonging to these denominations; and, third, the numerical and percentage increase during the specified periods.

TABLE 11.—CHURCH EDIFICES, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	CHURCH EDIFICES REPORTED.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Num-ber.	Per cent.	Num-ber.	Per cent.	Num-ber.	Per cent.
All denominations.....	203,432	192,795	142,487	100.0	100.0	100.0	60,945	42.8	10,637	5.5	50,308	35.3
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	418	428	294	0.2	0.2	0.2	124	42.2	-10	-2.3	134	45.6
Seventh-day Adventist.....	1,231	981	418	0.6	0.5	0.3	813	194.5	250	25.5	563	134.7
Armenian Church.....	10	3		(?)	(?)		10		7	(?)	3	
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,105	8,244	7,066	4.0	4.3	5.0	1,039	14.7	-139	-1.7	1,178	16.7
Southern Baptist Convention.....	19,770	18,878	13,502	9.7	9.8	9.5	6,268	46.4	892	4.7	5,376	39.8
National Baptist Convention.....	20,146	17,913	11,987	9.9	9.3	8.4	8,159	68.1	2,233	12.5	5,926	49.4
Free Baptists.....	159	1,111	1,225	0.1	0.6	0.9	-1,066	-87.0	-952	-85.7	-114	-9.3
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	556	556	125	0.3	0.3	0.1	531	424.8	100	18.0	431	344.8
General Baptists.....	164	152		0.1	0.1		104		12	7.9	152	
Regular Baptists.....	390	380	209	0.2	0.2	0.1	181	85.6	10	2.6	171	81.8
United Baptists.....	192	(?)	(?)	0.1			192		192			
Primitive Baptists.....	82	77	179	(?)	(?)	0.1	-97	-54.2	5	(?)	-102	-57.0
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	1,697	2,003		0.8	1.0		-802	-29.3	-306	-15.3		
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):	236	501	2,735	0.1	0.3	1.9			-265	-52.9	-231	-8.4
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	1,340	1,186	854	0.7	0.6	0.6	486	56.9	154	13.0	332	38.9
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	192	184	96	0.1	0.1	0.1	96	(?)	8	4.3	88	(?)
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	47	4		(?)	(?)		47		43	(?)	4	
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	1,171	1,253	1,098	0.6	0.6	0.8	73	6.6	-32	-6.5	155	14.1
Churches of Christ.....	193	188	184	0.1	0.1	0.1	9	4.9	5	2.7	4	2.2
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	4,842	1,974		2.1	1.0		4,342		2,368	120.0	1,974	
Congregational Churches.....	391	417	338	0.2	0.2	0.2	53	15.7	-26	-6.2	79	23.4
Disciples of Christ.....	5,744	5,782	4,736	2.8	3.0	3.3	1,008	21.3	-48	-0.8	1,056	22.3
Eastern Orthodox Churches:	6,815	7,066	5,324	3.4	3.7	3.7	1,401	28.0	-251	-3.6	1,742	32.7
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	59	29	1	(?)	(?)	(?)	58	(?)	30	(?)	28	(?)
Russian Church.....	164	46	1	0.1	(?)	(?)	163	(?)	118	(?)	45	(?)
Serbian Church.....	10	8		(?)	(?)		10		2	(?)	8	
Syrian Church.....	26	2		(?)	(?)		26		24	(?)	2	
Evangelical Association.....	1,582	1,617	1,899	0.8	0.8	1.3	-317	-16.7	-35	-2.2	-232	-14.8
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	42	71	52	(?)	(?)	(?)	-10	(?)	-29	(?)	19	(?)
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	733	832	725	0.4	0.4	0.5	8	1.1	-99	-11.9	107	14.8
Friends (Hicksite).....	168	214	213	0.1	0.1	0.1	-45	-21.1	-46	-21.5	1	0.6

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>3</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.

<sup>4</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>5</sup> Not reported.

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TABLE 11.—CHURCH EDIFICES, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	CHURCH EDIFICES REPORTED.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Num- ber.	Per cent.	Num- ber.	Per cent.	Num- ber.	Per cent.
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,287	1,258	785	0.6	0.7	0.6	482	61.4	9	0.7	473	60.3
Independent churches.....	462	812	112	0.2	0.4	0.1	350	312.5	-350	-43.1	700	825.0
Jewish congregations.....	874	821	301	0.4	0.4	0.2	573	190.4	53	6.5	520	172.8
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	905	624	266	0.4	0.3	0.2	639	210.2	281	45.0	358	134.6
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	382	309	122	0.2	0.2	0.1	280	213.1	73	23.6	187	153.3
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	1,813	1,720	1,322	0.9	0.9	0.9	491	37.1	93	5.4	398	30.1
United Synod, South.....	488	442	379	0.2	0.2	0.3	109	28.3	46	10.4	63	16.6
General Council.....	2,330	2,106	1,248	1.1	1.1	0.9	1,082	86.7	224	10.6	858	68.8
Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	3,301	2,899	1,531	1.6	1.5	1.1	1,770	116.6	402	13.9	1,368	89.4
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	255	226	100	0.1	0.1	0.1	155	155.0	29	12.8	126	126.0
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	800	649	275	0.4	0.3	0.2	525	190.9	151	23.3	374	136.0
United Norwegian Church.....	1,210	1,018	669	0.6	0.5	0.5	541	80.9	122	15.9	349	52.2
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	807	712	443	0.4	0.4	0.3	304	82.2	95	13.3	299	60.7
Synod of Iowa.....	879	705	309	0.4	0.4	0.2	573	187.3	174	24.7	399	130.4
Danish Lutheran Church.....	93	70	75	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	15	( <sup>4</sup> )	23	( <sup>4</sup> )	-5	( <sup>4</sup> )
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	92	50	8	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	84	( <sup>4</sup> )	42	( <sup>4</sup> )	-42	( <sup>4</sup> )
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	311	219	—	0.2	0.1	—	311	( <sup>4</sup> )	92	42.0	219	( <sup>4</sup> )
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	173	140	33	0.1	0.1	( <sup>3</sup> )	140	( <sup>4</sup> )	33	23.6	107	( <sup>4</sup> )
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church <sup>2</sup> .....	285	259	259	0.1	0.1	0.2	26	10.0	26	10.0	—	—
General Conference of Mennonites.....	107	89	44	0.1	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	63	( <sup>4</sup> )	18	( <sup>4</sup> )	45	( <sup>4</sup> )
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	28,408	28,345	22,844	14.0	14.7	16.0	5,562	24.3	61	0.2	5,501	24.1
Methodist Protestant.....	2,268	2,457	1,924	1.1	1.3	1.4	342	17.8	-191	-7.8	533	27.7
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	629	489	342	0.3	0.3	0.2	187	54.7	40	8.2	147	43.0
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	17,251	15,933	12,688	8.5	8.3	8.9	4,563	36.0	1,318	8.3	3,245	25.6
Congregational Methodist.....	195	262	150	0.1	0.1	0.1	45	30.0	-67	-25.6	112	74.7
Free Methodist.....	1,217	1,140	620	0.6	0.6	0.4	597	96.3	77	6.8	520	83.9
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,302	6,538	4,124	3.1	3.4	2.9	2,178	52.8	-236	-3.6	2,414	58.5
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,495	2,131	1,587	1.2	1.1	1.1	908	57.2	364	17.1	544	34.3
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,490	2,327	1,653	1.2	1.2	1.2	837	50.6	163	7.0	674	40.8
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	117	129	112	0.1	0.1	0.1	5	4.5	-12	-9.3	17	15.2
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	596	69	—	0.3	( <sup>3</sup> )	—	596	( <sup>4</sup> )	527	( <sup>4</sup> )	69	( <sup>4</sup> )
Polish National Catholic Church.....	37	27	—	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	—	37	( <sup>4</sup> )	10	( <sup>4</sup> )	27	( <sup>4</sup> )
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,068	8,185	6,060	4.5	4.2	4.7	2,408	36.2	883	10.8	1,525	22.9
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,183	2,474	2,024	0.6	1.3	1.4	-301	-42.5	-1,311	-53.0	460	22.2
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	132	195	183	0.1	0.1	0.1	-51	-27.9	-63	-32.3	12	6.6
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	131	156	189	0.1	0.1	0.1	-58	-30.7	-25	-16.0	-33	-17.5
United Presbyterian.....	988	684	832	0.5	0.5	0.6	154	18.5	2	0.2	152	18.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,321	3,012	2,288	1.6	1.6	1.6	1,033	45.1	309	10.3	724	31.6
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	130	142	116	0.1	0.1	0.1	14	12.1	-12	-8.5	26	22.4
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,726	6,922	5,018	3.3	3.6	3.5	1,708	34.0	-196	-2.8	1,904	37.9
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	757	773	670	0.4	0.4	0.5	87	13.0	-16	-2.1	103	15.4
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,719	1,740	1,304	0.8	0.9	0.9	415	31.8	-21	-1.2	436	33.4
Christian Reformed Church.....	233	181	106	0.1	0.1	0.1	127	119.8	62	28.7	75	70.8
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	74	87	84	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	0.1	-10	( <sup>4</sup> )	-13	( <sup>4</sup> )	3	( <sup>4</sup> )
Roman Catholic Church.....	15,120	11,881	8,784	7.4	6.2	6.2	6,336	72.1	3,239	27.3	3,097	35.3
Salvation Army.....	167	159	27	0.1	0.1	( <sup>3</sup> )	140	( <sup>4</sup> )	8	5.0	132	( <sup>4</sup> )
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	310	208	—	0.2	0.1	—	310	( <sup>4</sup> )	42	15.7	268	( <sup>4</sup> )
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>2</sup> .....	75	100	30	( <sup>3</sup> )	0.1	( <sup>3</sup> )	45	( <sup>4</sup> )	-25	-25.0	70	( <sup>4</sup> )
Unitarians.....	399	463	424	0.2	0.2	0.3	-25	-5.9	-64	-13.8	39	9.2
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,244	3,410	2,837	1.6	1.8	2.0	407	14.3	-166	-4.9	573	20.2
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	380	490	578	0.2	0.3	0.4	-198	-34.3	-110	-22.4	-88	-15.2
United Evangelical Church.....	905	920	—	0.4	0.5	—	905	( <sup>4</sup> )	-15	-1.6	920	( <sup>4</sup> )
Universalists.....	620	776	832	0.3	0.4	0.6	-212	-25.5	-156	-20.1	-58	-6.7
Volunteers of America.....	16	10	—	( <sup>3</sup> )	( <sup>3</sup> )	—	16	( <sup>4</sup> )	6	( <sup>4</sup> )	10	( <sup>4</sup> )
All other denominations.....	2,746	2,382	1,918	1.3	1.2	1.3	828	43.2	364	15.3	464	24.2

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.<sup>4</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.

In number of church edifices reported in 1916 the Methodist Episcopal Church led, with 28,406, and was followed by the National Baptist Convention (Negro), with 20,146; the Southern Baptist Convention, with 19,770; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with 17,251; and the Roman Catholic Church, with 15,120. These 5 denominations together reported almost one-half (49.5 per cent) of all church edifices. No other denomination reported as many as 10,000, while 13 of the denominations presented in the table each reported less than 100 edifices.

The number of church edifices, however, should be considered in relation to the number of church organi-

zations. If the number of edifices as presented in Table 11 is compared with the number of organizations as presented in Table 4 (p. 25), it will be seen that in 1916 there were reported by all denominations a total of 203,432 church edifices and a total of 227,487 organizations. The number of edifices was thus considerably less than the number of organizations. For all denominations in 1916 there were reported 89.4 edifices to each 100 organizations, showing that in 1916 practically 1 organization in every 10 had no edifice of its own, but held its meetings in a rented edifice, a hall, a schoolhouse, or elsewhere. As a rule, the number of edifices reported by the different

denominations in 1916 was less than the number of organizations reported, although the difference in number usually was not great. Some small denominations, however, reported the same number of edifices as of organizations, and a few denominations reported a larger number of edifices than of organizations. The church organizations that owned no church edifices constituted 10.6 per cent of all the church organizations in 1916, as compared with 9.2 per cent in 1906 and 13.7 per cent in 1890.

The per cent distribution of church edifices shows that the Methodist Episcopal Church owned 14 per cent of all church edifices reported in 1916. Next in order come the National Baptist Convention (Negro), with 9.9 per cent of the total; the Southern Baptist Convention, with 9.7 per cent; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with 8.5 per cent; and the Roman Catholic Church, with 7.4 per cent. These five denominations, as stated in a preceding paragraph, reported 49.5 per cent of all church edifices in 1916; no other denomination reported as large a proportion as 5 per cent. The per cent distribution of edifices in 1906 and in 1890 did not differ greatly from that in 1916.

The table shows that during the 26-year period 1890-1916 there was a very large increase in the number of church edifices—60,945, or 42.8 per cent. This increase, however, was not evenly distributed over the period, the rate of increase being much more rapid during the earlier than during the later years of the period. Thus, from 1890 to 1906 there was an increase of 50,308, or 35.3 per cent, in the number of church edifices, while, during the shorter period from 1906 to 1916, the increase was only 10,637, or 5.5 per cent. A comparison with the statistics of church organizations presented in Table 4 (p. 25) shows that the numerical and percentage increases in church edifices have corresponded roughly with the similar increases in church organizations. As already stated in regard to organizations, the rapid increase in number of church edifices from 1890 to 1906 doubtless was due mainly to this being a period of church organization and expansion, while the comparatively slow increase from 1906 to 1916 was due to this being a period of church consolidation and elimination.

Especially large increases in the number of church edifices from 1890 to 1916 are shown by the following denominations: National Baptist Convention, with 8,159; Roman Catholic Church, 6,336; Southern Baptist Convention, 6,268; Methodist Episcopal Church, 5,562; Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 4,563; and Churches of Christ, 4,342. The denominations showing the largest increases during the period 1906 to 1916 are: Roman Catholic Church, 3,239; Churches of Christ, 2,368; National Baptist Convention, 2,233; and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 1,318. Both during the entire period 1890 to 1916 and during the shorter and more recent period 1906 to 1916, a number of denominations show a loss in the number of church edifices. Those showing a loss include the Free Baptists and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, due to consolidation with the Northern Baptist Convention and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, respectively; the Evangelical Association, where the loss in the period 1890 to 1906 was due to the separation of the United Evangelical Church, and in the period 1906 to 1916 to consolidation; and the Primitive Baptists (white and Negro), where the loss was due largely to failure of the organizations to report and also to migration.

In the percentage of increase in the number of church edifices the rank of the denominations is quite different. During the entire period 1890 to 1916, each of 11 denominations shows an increase of over 100 per cent in the number of church edifices. Those showing an especially high rate of increase are: Free Will Baptists, 424.8 per cent; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 240.2 per cent; and Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 213.1 per cent. The denominations showing the most marked rates of increase in number of church edifices during the decade 1906-1916 are: Churches of Christ, 120 per cent; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 45 per cent; and the Norwegian Lutheran Free Church, 42 per cent. A decrease in number of church edifices is shown by 13 organizations during the entire period 1890 to 1916, and of these, 8 showed a decrease of over 25 per cent. During the decade 1906-1916, 32 showed a decrease, in 6 of which the decrease was over 25 per cent.

#### VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.

The term "church property" is used in this report in a very restricted sense. It does not include all the property owned by the churches, but only the edifices or buildings owned and used for worship by the organizations reporting, together with their sites, and their furniture, organs, bells, etc. The "value of church property," therefore, does not include the value of rented buildings or halls, or of parsonages, parochial school buildings, theological seminaries, monasteries, convents, or the like. In some cases the church edi-

fice was combined with a parish house, a parsonage, or a school, while the site sometimes included a cemetery. When these were so identified with the church edifice that practically no distinction could be made between them, their value is necessarily included in the value of church property reported. In the case of monasteries or convents, the value of chapels is not reported except where they were separate and distinct buildings. When an organization worshipped in a rented building, but at the same time owned a lot on which



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it expected to build, the value of the lot is reported. Wherever two or more organizations shared the ownership of an edifice, each is credited with its proper proportion of the value, one-half, one-third, etc., as the case may be.

The value of church property and the number of organizations reporting are shown for 1916, by denominations in detail, in Table 60 (p. 142) while the value of church property is given for 1916, 1906, and

1890, by denominations in detail, in Table 67 (p. 526). The following table shows for all denominations and for each denomination having 10,000 or more members in 1916, first, the value of church property reported in 1916, 1906, and 1890; second, the proportion of the value of all church property owned by each of the specified denominations in each year; and, third, the numerical and the percentage increase from 1890 to 1916, from 1906 to 1916, and from 1890 to 1906, respectively.

TABLE 12.—VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY REPORTED.											
	Amount.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
All denominations.....	\$1,676,600,582	\$1,257,575,867	\$679,426,469	100.0	100.0	100.0	\$997,174,093	146.8	\$419,024,715	33.3	\$578,149,378	85.1
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	1,188,070	854,323	465,605	0.1	0.1	0.1	722,465	155.2	333,747	39.1	388,718	83.5
Seventh-day Adventist.....	2,568,495	1,454,087	645,075	0.2	0.1	0.1	1,923,420	298.2	1,114,408	78.6	809,012	125.4
Armenian Church.....	142,500	38,000	.....	(*)	(*)	.....	142,500	.....	104,500	275.0	38,000	.....
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	94,644,133	74,620,025	49,524,504	5.6	5.9	7.3	45,119,629	91.1	20,024,108	26.8	25,095,521	50.7
Southern Baptist Convention.....	58,348,373	34,723,582	18,196,637	3.5	2.8	2.7	40,151,736	220.7	23,624,491	68.0	16,527,245	90.8
National Baptist Convention.....	41,184,920	24,437,272	9,038,549	2.5	1.9	1.3	32,146,371	355.7	16,747,648	68.5	15,398,723	170.4
Free Baptists.....	670,720	2,974,130	3,115,642	(*)	0.2	0.5	-2,444,922	-78.5	-2,303,410	-77.4	-141,512	-4.5
Free Will Baptists.....	517,240	296,585	57,005	(*)	(*)	(*)	460,235	807.4	220,655	74.4	239,580	420.3
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	178,385	79,278	.....	(*)	(*)	.....	178,385	.....	99,107	125.0	79,278	.....
General Baptists.....	421,837	252,019	201,140	(*)	(*)	(*)	220,697	109.7	169,818	67.4	50,879	25.3
Regular Baptists.....	141,480	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	(*)	141,480	.....	141,480	.....	.....	.....
United Baptists.....	52,147	36,715	80,150	(*)	(*)	(*)	-28,003	-34.9	15,432	42.0	-43,435	-54.2
Primitive Baptists.....	1,601,807	1,674,810	.....	0.1	0.1	.....	-73,003	-4.4	-73,003	-4.4	.....	.....
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	154,690	296,539	1,601,551	(*)	(*)	0.2	164,946	10.4	-141,849	-47.8	379,798	23.9
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	3,990,898	2,198,957	1,121,541	0.2	0.2	0.2	2,869,357	255.8	1,791,941	81.5	1,077,416	96.1
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	896,725	472,975	145,770	0.1	(*)	(*)	750,955	515.2	423,750	89.6	327,205	224.5
Brethren, Plymouth, 1 to VI.....	161,601	18,200	1,465	(*)	(*)	(*)	160,136	(*)	143,401	787.9	16,735	(*)
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	3,569,471	2,740,322	1,775,202	0.2	0.2	0.3	1,794,269	101.1	829,149	30.3	965,120	54.4
Christian Union.....	341,510	299,250	234,450	(*)	(*)	(*)	107,060	45.7	42,260	14.1	64,800	27.6
Churches of Christ.....	5,644,096	2,556,372	.....	0.3	0.2	.....	5,644,096	.....	3,088,724	120.9	2,556,372	.....
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	1,418,787	1,050,708	643,185	0.1	0.1	0.1	775,602	120.6	368,081	35.0	407,521	63.4
Congregational Churches.....	80,842,813	63,240,305	43,335,437	4.8	5.0	6.4	37,507,376	86.6	17,602,508	27.8	19,904,868	45.9
Disciples of Christ.....	40,327,201	27,439,944	12,206,038	2.4	2.2	1.8	28,721,163	230.4	12,887,257	47.0	15,233,906	124.8
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	1,115,464	385,800	5,000	0.1	(*)	(*)	1,110,464	(*)	729,694	189.1	380,800	(*)
Russian Church.....	2,137,713	484,371	40,000	0.1	(*)	(*)	2,097,713	(*)	1,653,342	341.3	444,371	(*)
Serbian Church.....	106,700	62,480	.....	(*)	(*)	.....	106,700	.....	44,240	70.8	62,480	.....
Syrian Church.....	180,507	32,160	.....	(*)	(*)	.....	180,507	.....	148,347	461.3	32,160	.....
Evangelical Association.....	8,317,878	5,819,020	4,789,680	0.5	0.5	0.7	3,532,298	73.8	2,496,358	42.9	1,035,940	21.6
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	1,193,950	2,556,550	1,187,450	0.1	0.2	0.2	6,500	0.5	-1,362,600	-53.3	1,369,100	115.3
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	4,282,893	2,719,551	2,795,784	0.3	0.2	0.4	1,467,109	52.5	1,543,342	56.7	-76,233	-2.7
Friends (Hicksite).....	1,356,200	1,037,650	1,661,850	0.1	0.1	0.2	-305,650	-18.4	318,550	30.7	-624,200	-37.6
German Evangelical Synod.....	13,118,273	9,376,402	4,614,400	0.8	0.7	0.7	8,503,783	184.3	3,741,871	39.9	4,761,912	103.2
Independent churches.....	4,429,598	3,984,267	1,486,000	0.3	0.3	0.2	2,943,598	198.1	495,331	12.6	2,448,267	164.8
Jewish congregations.....	31,012,576	23,198,925	9,754,275	1.8	1.8	1.4	21,258,301	217.9	7,813,651	33.7	13,444,650	137.8
Latimer Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	6,283,226	2,645,363	825,506	0.4	0.2	0.1	5,457,720	661.1	3,637,863	137.5	1,819,857	220.5
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	871,571	523,185	226,285	0.1	(*)	(*)	645,286	285.2	348,386	66.6	296,900	131.2
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	24,271,797	16,875,429	8,919,170	1.4	1.3	1.3	15,352,627	172.1	7,396,368	43.8	7,956,259	89.2
United Synod, South.....	2,572,245	1,509,760	1,114,065	0.2	0.1	0.2	1,468,180	130.9	1,062,485	70.4	395,695	35.5
General Council.....	32,108,091	22,394,618	10,379,455	1.9	1.8	1.5	21,728,636	209.3	9,713,473	43.4	12,015,163	115.8
Synodical Conference.....	25,973,638	19,135,707	7,804,313	1.5	1.5	1.1	18,169,225	232.8	6,837,831	35.7	11,331,394	145.2
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	1,128,488	682,135	214,395	0.1	0.1	(*)	914,093	426.4	446,353	65.4	467,740	218.2
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	4,383,151	2,469,713	806,825	0.3	0.2	0.1	3,576,326	443.3	1,913,438	77.5	1,662,888	206.1
United Norwegian Church.....	5,990,280	3,668,588	1,544,455	0.4	0.3	0.2	4,445,825	287.9	2,321,692	63.3	2,124,133	137.5
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	5,718,462	3,606,285	1,639,087	0.3	0.3	0.2	4,079,375	248.9	2,112,177	58.6	1,967,198	120.0
Synod of Iowa.....	4,057,635	2,327,093	799,831	0.2	0.2	0.1	3,317,804	448.5	1,730,542	74.4	1,587,262	214.5
Danish Lutheran Church.....	394,809	248,700	129,700	(*)	(*)	(*)	265,109	204.4	146,109	58.7	119,000	91.8
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	368,771	151,345	12,898	(*)	(*)	(*)	355,873	(*)	217,426	143.7	138,447	(*)
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	1,116,780	660,310	.....	0.1	0.1	.....	1,116,780	.....	456,450	69.1	660,310	.....
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	696,780	418,450	44,775	(*)	(*)	(*)	652,005	(*)	278,330	66.5	373,675	834.6
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church.....	1,014,246	622,387	393,495	0.1	(*)	0.1	620,751	157.8	391,859	63.0	228,892	58.2
General Conference of Mennonites.....	544,660	303,400	120,550	(*)	(*)	(*)	424,010	351.7	241,160	79.5	182,850	151.7
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	215,104,014	163,357,805	98,723,408	12.8	13.0	14.2	118,380,606	122.4	51,746,209	31.7	66,634,397	68.9
United Methodist.....	7,944,467	6,053,048	3,683,337	0.5	0.5	0.5	4,261,130	115.7	1,891,219	31.2	2,369,711	61.3
Wesleyan Methodist.....	787,731	637,117	393,250	(*)	0.1	0.1	394,481	100.3	150,614	23.6	243,867	62.0
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	62,428,433	37,278,424	18,775,362	3.7	3.0	2.8	43,053,071	232.5	25,150,009	67.5	18,505,062	98.5
Congregational Methodist.....	166,932	194,275	41,680	(*)	(*)	(*)	125,252	500.5	-27,343	-14.1	152,595	366.1
Free Methodist.....	2,236,325	1,688,745	805,085	0.1	0.1	0.1	1,431,240	177.3	547,590	32.4	883,650	109.8
African Methodist Episcopal.....	14,631,792	11,303,489	6,468,280	0.9	0.9	1.0	8,168,512	128.2	3,228,303	22.4	4,935,209	74.8
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	7,591,393	4,833,207	2,714,128	0.5	0.4	0.4	4,877,285	178.7	2,758,186	57.1	2,119,079	78.1
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	5,619,862	3,017,849	1,713,366	0.3	0.2	0.3	8,906,496	228.0	2,602,013	86.2	1,304,483	76.1

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.  
<sup>2</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.  
<sup>4</sup> Not reported.

<sup>5</sup> Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1000.

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TABLE 12.—VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY REPORTED.											
	Amount.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	\$1,368,220	\$922,900	\$676,250	0.1	0.1	0.1	\$691,970	102.3	\$445,320	48.3	\$240,650	36.5
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	1,719,822	393,990		0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )		1,719,822		1,325,832	336.5	393,990	
Polish National Catholic Church.....	929,636	494,700		0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )		929,636		434,936	87.9	494,700	
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.....	150,239,123	114,882,781	74,447,450	9.0	9.1	11.0	75,791,673	101.8	35,356,342	30.8	40,435,331	54.3
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,935,072	5,803,960	3,515,510	0.1	0.5	0.5	-1,580,438	-45.0	-3,868,888	-66.7	2,288,450	65.1
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	230,426	203,778	195,826	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	34,600	17.7	26,648	13.1	7,982	4.1
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	1,012,000	701,350	625,875	0.1	0.1	0.1	386,125	61.7	250,650	32.9	135,475	21.6
United Presbyterian.....	13,543,213	10,760,208	5,408,084	0.8	0.9	0.8	8,135,129	160.4	2,783,005	25.9	5,352,124	99.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	23,924,915	15,488,489	8,812,152	1.4	1.2	1.3	15,112,763	171.5	8,436,426	54.5	6,676,337	75.8
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	667,650	436,550	211,850	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	455,800	215.2	231,100	52.9	224,700	106.1
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	164,990,150	125,040,498	81,219,117	9.8	9.9	12.0	83,771,033	103.1	39,940,652	31.9	43,821,381	64.0
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	18,928,383	15,553,250	10,340,159	1.1	1.2	1.5	8,588,224	83.1	3,375,133	21.7	5,213,091	50.4
Reformed Church in the United States.....	20,116,336	14,067,897	7,975,583	1.2	1.1	1.2	12,140,753	152.2	6,048,430	43.0	6,092,314	76.4
Christian Reformed Church.....	1,658,308	903,600	428,500	0.1	0.1	0.1	1,229,808	287.0	754,708	83.5	475,100	110.9
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	1,702,187	1,469,787	1,615,101	0.1	0.1	0.2	87,086	5.4	232,400	15.8	-145,314	-9.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	374,206,895	292,638,787	118,123,346	22.3	23.3	17.4	256,083,549	216.8	81,568,108	27.9	174,515,441	147.7
Salvation Army.....	2,230,158	3,175,154	38,150	0.1	0.3	( <sup>2</sup> )	2,192,008	( <sup>1</sup> )	-944,996	-29.8	3,137,004	( <sup>1</sup> )
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	2,295,172	1,225,220		0.1	0.1		2,295,172		1,060,952	87.3	1,225,220	
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>2</sup> .....	440,955	958,048	573,650	( <sup>2</sup> )	0.1	0.1	-132,695	-23.1	-517,093	-54.0	384,398	67.0
Unitarians.....	15,247,349	14,263,277	10,335,100	0.9	1.1	1.5	4,912,249	47.5	984,072	6.9	3,928,177	38.0
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	13,787,570	8,401,539	4,292,643	0.8	0.7	0.6	9,494,936	221.2	5,380,040	64.1	4,108,896	95.7
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	707,396	672,252	644,940	( <sup>2</sup> )	0.1	0.1	62,456	9.7	35,144	5.2	27,312	4.2
United Evangelical Church.....	4,657,893	3,180,359		0.3	0.3		4,657,893		1,477,534	46.5	3,180,359	
Universalists.....	7,576,163	10,575,656	8,054,333	0.5	0.8	1.2	-178,230	-2.2	-2,699,553	-25.5	2,521,323	31.3
Volunteers of America.....	226,950	83,521		( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )		226,950		143,429	171.7	83,521	
All other denominations.....	11,713,581	17,250,437	6,950,694	0.7	1.4	1.0	4,762,887	68.5	-5,536,858	-32.1	10,299,743	148.2

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>4</sup> Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.

Table 2 (p. 22) shows that in 1916 reports as to the value of church property owned were made by 197,807 organizations, or 87 per cent of the total number. The proportion of the organizations reporting value of church property, however, varies greatly for the different denominations. For example, Table 2 shows that value of church property was reported by only 814 of the 1,901 Jewish congregations, by only 189 of the 401 Regular Baptist organizations, by only 82 of the 254 United Baptist organizations, and by only 1,254 of the 2,011 organizations of the Seventh-day Adventist Denomination. Even in the case of the Roman Catholic Church, the proportion of organizations reporting value of church property—82.9 per cent—was considerably less than the proportion for all denominations—87 per cent. While the organizations which made no report of property owned consist largely of those which were worshiping in rented halls, in schoolhouses, or in private houses, and consequently owned no property which could be reported, yet it is undoubtedly true that some organizations which owned property failed to make any report concerning it.

The total value of church property reported in 1916, for all denominations, was \$1,676,600,582. Each of 59 different denominations reported church property valued at over \$1,000,000. The highest value was reported by the Roman Catholic Church—\$374,206,895. Next in order came the Methodist Episcopal Church, with \$215,104,014; the Protestant

Episcopal Church, with \$164,990,150; the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, with \$150,239,123; the Northern Baptist Convention, with \$94,644,133; and the Congregational Churches, with \$80,842,813. The following statement shows each denomination which reported church property valued at over \$10,000,000, arranged in order of the highest value of church property, together with the average value per organization reporting.

Table 13					
VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY: 1916.					
DENOMINATION.	Number of organizations reporting.	Amount reported.	Rank.	Average per organization reporting.	Rank.
Roman Catholic Church.....	14,489	\$374,206,895	1	\$25,827	4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	28,134	215,104,014	2	7,646	16
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,454	164,990,150	3	25,564	5
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,677	150,239,123	4	17,315	6
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	7,748	94,644,133	5	12,215	11
Congregational Churches.....	5,526	80,842,813	6	14,630	7
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	17,133	62,428,433	7	3,644	19
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	19,268	58,348,373	8	3,028	20
Baptists—National Convention.....	20,117	41,184,920	9	2,047	22
Disciples of Christ.....	5,697	40,327,201	10	7,205	17
Lutheran—General Council.....	2,274	32,108,061	11	14,120	9
Jewish congregations.....	814	31,012,576	12	38,099	2
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	3,151	25,973,538	13	8,243	14
Lutheran—General Synod.....	1,811	24,271,797	14	13,402	10
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,041	23,924,915	15	7,867	15
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,663	20,116,336	16	12,096	12
Reformed Church in America.....	690	18,928,383	17	27,432	3
Unitarians.....	393	15,247,349	18	38,797	1
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,232	14,631,792	19	2,348	21
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,220	13,787,570	20	4,282	18
United Presbyterian Church.....	952	13,543,213	21	14,226	8
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,249	13,118,273	22	10,503	13



In using these figures it must be understood that the amounts given for 1916, as well as those given for 1906 and 1890, represent the value of church property so far as reported and therefore do not stand probably for the entire value of church property owned and used for purposes of worship.

While the average value of church property per organization reporting in 1916 was \$8,476 for all denominations, the above statement shows that this average varied greatly for the different denominations. The statement indicates that in general those denominations which are largely concentrated in the cities, or which usually have large congregations to provide for, reported the highest average value of church property owned, while many denominations which have a large number of organizations and of communicants or members, but are principally located in rural districts, show a comparatively small average value. Thus, the Unitarians, the Jewish congregations, the Reformed Church in America, the Roman Catholic Church, and the Protestant Episcopal Church, which are largely concentrated in or near cities, stand at the head in respect to average value per organization reporting, while the Methodist and Baptist bodies included in the statement, which together reported more than one-half of the total number of church edifices returned in 1916, but which have a large proportion of their organizations in rural districts, rank low in average value per organization reporting. It will be noted also that those denominations which are numerically strongest in the largely urban states of the North and East show higher averages than do those whose strength is chiefly in the rural states of the South. Thus the average value per organization reported by the Northern Baptist Convention was four times as large as that reported by the Southern Convention; that by the Methodist Episcopal Church was twice that by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South; and that by the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (chiefly in the North) was more than twice that by the Presbyterian Church in the United States. Similarly, high average values were reported by the Jewish congregations, several of the Lutheran synods, the Reformed bodies, and the United Presbyterian Church, all in the Northern states.

The rank of the denominations in total value of church property reported is quite different from their rank in average value per organization reporting. Thus, while the Roman Catholic Church ranks first in total value reported—\$374,206,895—it ranks fourth in average value per organization reporting; and, the Unitarian denomination, though standing first in average per organization reporting—\$38,797—is eighteenth in total value reported. The Methodist Episcopal Church is second in total value reported,

but sixteenth in average value per organization reporting; while the Jewish congregations are second in average value reported, but twelfth in total value. The German Evangelical Synod ranks lowest in total value reported—\$13,118,273—but is thirteenth in average value per organization; while the National Baptist Convention (Negro) ranks lowest in average value per organization reporting—\$2,047—but is ninth in total value reported.

Considering the per cent distribution of the value of church property, Table 12 shows that the Roman Catholic Church owned 22.3 per cent of all church property reported in 1916. Then, in order, came the Methodist Episcopal Church, with 12.8 per cent; the Protestant Episcopal Church, with 9.8 per cent; and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, with 9 per cent. These four denominations together reported considerably over one-half of the total value of church property reported by all denominations.

For the entire period 1890 to 1916, the increase in the value of church property reported was \$997,174,093, or 146.8 per cent. The rate of increase, however, appears to have been much more rapid during the earlier than during the later years of this period. From 1890 to 1906, the increase amounted to \$578,149,378, or 85.1 per cent, while during the shorter period from 1906 to 1916, the increase amounted to \$419,024,715, or 33.3 per cent. The following denominations show especially large increases in the value of church property from 1890 to 1916: Roman Catholic Church, \$256,083,549; Methodist Episcopal Church, \$118,380,606; Protestant Episcopal Church, \$83,771,033; and Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, \$75,791,673. Especially large increases from 1906 to 1916 are shown by these same denominations: Roman Catholic Church, \$81,568,108; Methodist Episcopal Church, \$51,746,209; Protestant Episcopal Church, \$39,949,652; and Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, \$35,356,342.

During the entire period 1890 to 1916, and during each of the shorter periods which comprise it, a number of denominations show a loss in the value of church property reported. For the 26 years from 1890 to 1916, each of the following shows a very large loss: Free Baptists, \$2,444,922; Cumberland Presbyterian Church, \$1,580,438; Friends (Hicksite), \$305,650; and Universalists, \$178,230. The denominations which show a very large loss in the value of church property for the 10 years from 1906 to 1916 are: Cumberland Presbyterian Church, \$3,868,888; Universalists, \$2,699,553; Free Baptists, \$2,303,410; and Evangelical Protestant Church, \$1,362,600. The loss in value of church property experienced by the Cumberland Presbyterian Church was confined to

the period 1906 to 1916, as the table shows, and is explained by the changes that followed the union of many of the churches of this denomination with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, the figures for 1906 having been obtained just before the union was effected. The Free Baptist losses are similarly explained by the union of a large number of the Free Baptist churches with the Northern Baptist Convention, while those in the Evangelical Protestant Church are due to the fact that a considerable number of the organizations that were reported by the two constituent bodies in 1906 failed to respond as members of the united body in 1916.

In percentage increase in the value of church property, the rank of the denominations is quite different from their rank in numerical increase of this value. An increase of over 100 per cent in the value of church property is shown by each of 53 denominations during the entire period 1890 to 1916, and by each of 11 denominations during the period 1906 to 1916. Passing over the increase of 787.9 per cent shown for the Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI, which denominations are combined in this table, and in which the amount involved is quite small, an especially high rate of increase from 1906 to 1916 is shown by each of the following denominations: Syrian Orthodox Church, 461.3 per cent; Russian Orthodox Church, 341.3 per cent; and Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, 336.5 per cent. Each of these denominations, however, is small and reported a comparatively small value of church property in 1906 and in 1916. Probably more significant, therefore, are the increases shown for the following large denominations: National Baptist Convention with 68.5 per cent; Southern Baptist Convention, 68 per cent; Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 67.5 per cent; United Brethren in Christ, 64.1 per cent; and Presbyterian Church in the United States, 54.5 per cent.

The census reports for 1850, 1860, and 1870 also give the value of church property (see Table 3, p. 24). The following tabular statement shows the value of church property reported for each census at which such statistics were obtained, together with the percentage of increase between censuses:

CENSUS YEAR.	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY REPORTED.	
	Amount.	Per cent of increase over value at preceding census.
1916.....	\$1,670,600,582	33.3
1906.....	1,257,675,887	85.1
1890.....	679,426,489	91.7
1870.....	354,483,581	100.8
1860.....	171,597,832	96.3
1850.....	87,328,801	

The figures shown for the earlier periods are undoubtedly subject to the same limitations as those already indicated in the case of the figures for 1916, but on their face show a very considerable advance from one census to another in the value of property held for purposes of worship. The per capita increase is shown in the following statement:

CENSUS YEAR.	Population.	Per capita value of church property.
1916.....	<sup>1</sup> 102,017,312	\$10.43
1906.....	<sup>1</sup> 88,837,872	14.65
1890.....	<sup>2</sup> 62,947,714	10.70
1870.....	38,558,371	9.18
1860.....	31,443,321	5.45
1850.....	23,191,876	3.77

<sup>1</sup> Estimated.

<sup>2</sup> Includes the population of Indian Territory and Indian reservations.

The value of church property reported for 1870 is probably on a currency basis rather than a gold basis, but the report on religious statistics at that census does not afford definite information on this point.

#### DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.

The amount of debt on church property was ascertained for the first time at the census of 1906. At that census, as at the census of 1916, the amount of debt reported does not include the debt on all property owned by the church, but only the debt on such buildings, together with their sites, furniture, organs, bells, etc., as were owned and used for worship by the organizations reporting. The debt on church property, with the number of organizations reporting, is shown for 1916, by denominations in detail, in Table 60 (p. 142), and comparative figures for debt in 1916 and

1906 are shown in Table 67 (p. 526). The following table shows, for each denomination having 10,000 members or more in 1916, the number of organizations reporting debt on church property and the proportion they constitute of the organizations reporting value; it also shows the value of church property reported, the amount of debt reported, and the proportion the debt represents of the value, together with the amount and percentage of increase in debt during the decade. Figures are presented for the two censuses for which they are available, 1916 and 1906.

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TABLE 14.—DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.				1916			1906			INCREASE IN DEBT REPORTED: 1906-1916.	
	Number.		Per cent of organizations reporting value.		Value of church property reported.	Debt reported.		Value of church property reported.	Debt reported.		Amount.	Per cent.
						Amount.	Per cent of value.		Amount.	Per cent of value.		
	1916	1906	1916	1906								
All denominations.....	42,990	33,617	21.7	18.1	\$1,676,600,582	\$164,864,899	9.8	\$1,257,575,867	\$108,050,946	8.6	\$56,813,953	52.6
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	63	57	15.1	13.3	1,188,070	95,970	8.1	854,323	78,828	9.2	17,142	21.7
Seventh-day Adventist.....	240	121	19.1	12.1	2,568,495	209,154	8.1	1,454,087	77,984	5.4	131,170	168.2
Armenian Church.....	7	1	(2)	(2)	142,500	31,300	22.0	38,000	4,000	10.5	27,800	682.5
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	1,783	1,557	23.0	20.0	94,644,133	7,302,769	7.7	74,620,025	5,149,678	6.9	2,153,091	41.8
Southern Baptist Convention.....	1,638	1,215	8.5	6.5	58,348,373	3,153,158	5.4	34,723,882	1,239,022	3.6	1,914,136	154.5
National Baptist Convention.....	4,210	3,100	20.9	17.3	41,184,920	3,433,366	8.3	24,437,272	1,757,190	7.2	1,676,176	95.4
Free Baptists.....	14	122	8.8	11.2	670,720	19,846	3.0	2,974,130	138,233	4.6	-118,887	-85.6
Free Will Baptists.....	42	37	6.3	6.7	517,240	6,260	1.2	296,585	3,536	1.2	2,724	77.0
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	35	22	20.8	14.6	178,385	9,525	5.3	79,278	3,485	4.4	6,040	173.3
General Baptists.....	32	28	8.1	7.3	421,837	17,362	4.1	252,019	6,999	2.8	10,363	148.1
Regular Baptists.....	15	2	7.9	(2)	141,480	1,402	1.0	(1)	115	0.3	1,462	-82.6
United Baptists.....	2	2	(2)	(2)	52,147	20	(1)	38,715	16,207	1.0	-1,154	-25.6
Primitive Baptists.....	45	68	2.8	3.5	1,601,807	12,053	0.8	1,674,810	18,207	1.0	-4,551	-25.6
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	46	34	28.0	6.7	154,690	8,507	5.5	296,539	6,968	2.3	1,539	22.1
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	116	84	12.5	11.3	3,990,898	129,705	3.3	2,198,957	38,109	1.7	91,596	240.4
Church of the Brethren (Progressive).....	38	29	20.7	16.9	896,725	114,289	12.7	472,975	41,490	8.8	72,799	175.5
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	19	2	(2)	(2)	161,601	48,140	29.8	18,200	2,400	13.2	45,740	(7)
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	107	97	9.2	7.8	3,569,471	147,494	4.1	2,740,322	101,561	3.7	45,933	45.2
Christian Union.....	15	13	7.9	7.0	341,510	9,169	2.7	299,250	5,288	1.8	3,881	73.4
Churches of Christ.....	276	193	6.3	9.8	5,644,096	136,003	2.4	2,556,372	76,208	3.0	59,795	78.5
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	50	26	12.8	6.2	1,418,787	90,958	6.4	1,050,706	44,350	4.2	46,608	105.1
Congregational Churches.....	1,447	1,206	26.2	22.5	80,842,813	3,928,253	4.9	63,240,305	2,708,025	4.3	1,220,228	45.1
Disciples of Christ.....	1,327	1,041	23.7	15.0	40,327,201	4,160,239	10.3	27,439,944	1,792,613	6.5	2,367,626	132.1
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	36	15	(2)	(2)	1,115,464	322,423	28.9	385,800	139,900	36.3	182,523	130.5
Russian Church.....	132	36	78.1	(2)	2,137,713	982,048	45.9	484,371	131,774	27.2	850,274	645.3
Serbian Church.....	5	7	(2)	(2)	106,707	21,112	19.8	62,460	19,000	30.4	2,112	11.1
Syrian Church.....	16	204	17.3	12.7	180,507	70,779	39.2	32,160	374,969	6.4	70,779	105.9
Evangelical Association.....	271	204	17.3	(2)	8,317,978	771,943	9.3	5,819,020	161,650	6.3	395,974	105.9
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	20	38	(2)	(2)	1,193,950	83,150	7.0	2,556,550	161,650	6.3	-78,500	-48.6
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	72	60	10.0	7.2	4,262,893	119,794	2.8	2,719,551	41,496	1.5	78,298	188.7
Friends (Hicksite).....	1	1	0.6	(2)	1,350,200	800	0.1	1,037,650	478,425	12.2	800	.....
German Evangelical Synod.....	451	398	36.1	35.0	13,118,273	1,492,479	11.4	9,376,402	1,161,776	12.4	330,703	28.5
Independent churches.....	94	230	21.4	28.5	4,429,598	294,284	6.6	3,934,267	478,425	12.2	-184,141	-38.5
Jewish congregations.....	566	449	69.5	60.1	31,012,576	6,502,872	21.0	23,198,925	4,556,571	19.6	1,946,301	42.7
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	178	104	21.4	17.5	6,283,226	268,230	4.3	2,645,363	75,798	2.9	192,437	253.9
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	82	41	21.0	13.0	871,571	62,204	7.1	523,185	35,989	6.9	26,215	72.8
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	476	412	26.3	24.5	24,271,797	2,376,634	9.8	16,875,429	1,593,778	9.4	782,856	49.1
United Synod, South.....	45	41	9.3	9.6	2,572,245	166,181	6.5	1,509,760	49,692	3.3	116,489	234.4
General Council.....	876	732	38.5	36.5	32,108,091	4,530,425	14.1	22,394,618	2,944,633	13.1	1,585,742	53.9
Synodical Conference.....	1,078	884	34.2	32.0	25,973,538	3,261,637	12.6	19,135,707	2,239,441	11.7	1,022,196	45.6
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	57	54	22.5	24.3	1,128,488	72,713	6.4	682,135	55,205	8.1	17,508	31.7
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	167	145	20.9	22.4	4,383,151	363,588	8.3	2,499,713	165,053	6.7	198,535	120.3
United Norwegian Church.....	210	167	17.4	17.5	5,990,280	324,818	5.4	3,668,588	160,203	4.5	158,615	95.4
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	219	192	28.2	27.7	5,718,462	679,504	11.9	3,606,285	338,580	9.2	345,924	103.7
Synod of Iowa.....	162	140	19.1	20.7	4,067,635	250,214	6.2	2,327,093	118,505	5.0	133,709	114.8
Danish Lutheran Church.....	27	26	(2)	(2)	394,809	44,634	11.4	248,700	37,614	15.1	7,420	19.8
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	31	19	(2)	(2)	368,771	45,953	12.5	151,345	19,550	12.9	26,403	135.1
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	67	55	21.7	23.9	1,116,760	67,719	6.1	660,310	38,628	5.8	29,091	75.3
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	43	45	24.9	32.6	696,780	45,088	6.5	418,450	43,425	10.4	1,663	3.8
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church.....	16	13	5.8	5.1	1,014,246	12,562	1.2	622,387	2,536	0.4	10,026	395.3
General Conference of Mennonites.....	14	9	13.2	(2)	544,560	15,400	2.8	303,400	5,690	1.9	9,710	170.7
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	6,332	4,662	22.5	16.7	215,104,014	16,615,195	7.7	163,357,805	8,640,273	5.3	7,974,922	92.3
Methodist Protestant.....	250	244	11.0	10.0	7,944,467	484,679	6.1	6,053,048	247,524	4.1	237,155	95.8
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	84	49	10.3	10.2	787,731	37,060	4.7	637,117	13,914	3.0	18,146	95.9
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	1,914	1,195	11.2	7.5	62,428,433	3,849,850	6.2	37,278,424	1,256,093	3.4	2,593,757	206.5
Congregational Methodist.....	10	19	5.1	7.6	166,932	4,353	2.6	194,275	9,477	4.9	-5,124	-54.1
Free Methodist.....	171	112	14.2	9.8	2,236,325	121,979	5.5	1,688,745	61,124	3.6	60,855	99.6
African Methodist Episcopal.....	2,437	2,674	39.1	40.9	14,631,792	1,518,332	10.4	11,303,489	1,191,921	10.5	326,411	27.4
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	793	724	32.0	34.4	7,591,393	795,437	10.5	4,833,207	474,269	9.8	321,168	67.7
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	828	692	32.5	30.6	5,619,862	311,066	5.5	3,017,849	215,111	7.1	95,955	44.6
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	21	12	19.8	10.6	1,368,220	68,996	5.0	922,900	31,635	3.4	37,361	118.1
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	266	40	43.8	(2)	1,719,822	308,525	17.9	393,990	97,224	24.7	211,301	217.3
Polish National Catholic Church.....	32	23	(2)	(2)	929,636	315,106	33.9	494,700	216,960	43.9	98,146	45.2
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	2,130	1,484	24.5	20.0	150,239,123	7,504,138	5.0	114,882,781	5,115,899	4.5	2,387,239	46.7
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	81	157	7.0	6.4	1,935,072	69,455	3.6	5,803,960	208,876	3.6	-139,421	-66.7
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	11	18	8.5	9.4	230,426	7,576	3.3	203,778	10,407	5.1	-2,831	-27.2
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	14	17	11.1	11.7	1,012,900	44,938	4.4	781,350	27,425	3.6	17,513	63.9
United Presbyterian.....	225	151	23.6	16.0	13,542,213	1,068,964	7.9	10,760,208	545,557	5.1	522,407	95.6
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	424	239	13.9	8.7	23,924,615	1,319,344	5.5	15,488,489	530,111	3.5	780,233	144.7
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	18	17	14.1	12.7	687,650	39,196	5.9	436,550	16,880	3.8	22,516	135.0
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,281	1,011	19.8	16.7	164,990,150	6,380,117	3.9	125,040,496	4,930,914	3.9	1,449,203	29.4

Percent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.

For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

\* Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.

1 A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.  
 2 Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.

\* Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

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TABLE 14—DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.				1916			1906			INCREASE <sup>1</sup> IN DEBT REPORTED: 1906-1916.	
	Number.		Per cent of organizations reporting value.		Value of church property reported.	Debt reported.		Value of church property reported. ¢	Debt reported.		Amount.	Per cent.
						Amount.	Per cent of value.		Amount.	Per cent of value.		
	1916	1906	1916	1906								
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	258	198	37.4	31.0	\$18,928,383	\$1,093,623	5.8	\$15,553,250	\$729,225	4.7	\$304,398	50.0
Reformed Church in the United States.....	369	349	22.2	20.9	20,116,336	2,007,041	10.0	14,067,897	1,300,552	9.7	646,489	47.5
Christian Reformed Church.....	151	98	72.2	61.3	1,658,308	486,408	29.3	903,600	216,287	23.9	270,121	124.9
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	28	23	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	1,702,187	94,198	5.5	1,469,787	67,143	4.6	27,055	40.3
Roman Catholic Church.....	6,024	4,104	41.6	39.9	374,206,895	68,590,159	18.3	292,638,787	49,488,055	16.9	19,102,104	38.6
Salvation Army.....	127	311	77.4	45.7	2,230,158	939,586	42.1	3,175,154	1,154,901	36.4	-215,315	-18.6
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>3</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	83	83	26.6	31.8	2,295,172	205,132	8.9	1,225,220	121,094	9.9	83,438	68.6
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>3</sup> .....	34	38	20.3	28.8	440,955	79,469	18.0	958,048	79,570	8.3	-101	-0.1
Unitarians.....	93	85	23.7	20.9	15,247,349	447,174	2.9	14,263,277	332,330	2.3	114,844	34.6
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	456	417	14.2	12.4	13,787,579	1,489,929	10.8	8,401,539	480,035	5.8	1,000,894	204.7
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution)....	36	43	9.5	8.0	707,396	11,253	1.6	672,252	9,924	1.5	1,320	13.4
United Evangelical Church.....	245	208	27.3	23.0	4,667,893	524,983	11.3	3,180,369	292,004	9.2	232,984	79.8
Universalists.....	110	132	18.1	16.9	7,876,103	408,766	5.2	10,575,656	464,755	4.4	-55,980	-12.0
Volunteers of America.....	9	6	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	226,950	93,516	41.2	83,521	40,621	48.6	52,895	130.2
All other denominations.....	666	511	24.3	21.1	11,713,581	1,214,801	10.4	17,250,437	1,066,341	6.2	148,520	13.9

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

The table shows that in 1916 debt on church property was reported by 42,990 organizations, or by 21.7 per cent of all organizations which reported value of church property. While probably some organizations failed to report existing debt, it is to be presumed that with but few exceptions the remaining 154,817 organizations, which together constituted 78.3 per cent of the organizations reporting value of church property, held this church property free of debt. In 1916 the organizations reporting debt on church property formed a somewhat larger proportion of all organizations reporting value of church property than was the case in 1906—21.7 per cent as against 18.1 per cent. Since this is true quite generally of the different denominations presented, as well as of all denominations combined, it shows that from 1906 to 1916 there was a growing tendency in church organizations to contract debt on their property.

The Methodist Episcopal Church shows the largest number of organizations reporting debt on their church property in 1916—6,332. Then, in order, come the Roman Catholic Church, with 6,024 organizations; the National Baptist Convention (Negro), with 4,210 organizations; the African Methodist Episcopal Church, with 2,437 organizations; and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, with 2,130 organizations. Together, these 5 denominations covered almost one-half of all organizations reporting debt on church property in 1916, and but a slightly smaller proportion of all such organizations in 1906. More significant than the number, however, is the proportion of organizations reporting debt on their church property. While for all denominations in 1916, 21.7 per cent of the organizations reporting value of church property also reported debt, the

proportion of the latter varied greatly with the different denominations. Considering only the larger denominations, the organizations reporting debt on church property constituted a large proportion of all organizations reporting value in each of the following cases: Jewish congregations, 69.5 per cent; Roman Catholic Church, 41.6 per cent; African Methodist Episcopal Church, 39.1 per cent; Lutheran General Council, 38.5 per cent; and Lutheran Synodical Conference, 34.2 per cent. For each of the following large denominations, however, the proportion of organizations reporting debt on their property was small: Southern Baptist Convention, 8.5 per cent; Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 11.2 per cent; Presbyterian Church in the United States, 13.9 per cent; United Brethren in Christ, 14.2 per cent; and the Protestant Episcopal Church, 19.8 per cent. For the smaller denominations, the proportion of the organizations reporting debt on their church property in 1916 varied from less than 1 per cent for the Friends (Hicksite) to 78.1 per cent for the Russian Orthodox Church.

Debt of more than \$1,000,000 was reported in 1916 by each of 21 denominations; and of the total debt of \$164,864,899 reported by all denominations, the Roman Catholic Church reported \$68,590,159; the Methodist Episcopal Church, \$16,615,195; the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, \$7,504,138; the Northern Baptist Convention, \$7,302,769; the Jewish congregations, \$6,502,872; the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$6,380,117; the Lutheran General Council, \$4,530,425; and the Disciples of Christ, \$4,160,239. These 8 denominations together reported a debt of \$121,585,914, which was 73.7 per cent of the total debt reported by all denominations;

while the debt of the Roman Catholic Church alone constituted 41.6 per cent of the entire total.

With a church organization, as with a corporation or an individual, the total amount of debt considered alone shows little beyond the fact that an obligation of a certain size has been contracted. It is no index of the actual financial or economic condition of the debtor. To be really significant, debt on property must be considered in relation to the value of the property, or in relation to the number of persons who may properly be held responsible for the payment of the debt. Thus, the debt reported on all church property in 1916—\$164,864,899—is large in total amount only. It represents, as the table shows, but 9.8 per cent of the value of all church property reported; and it represents an indebtedness of but \$3.93 per capita for the 41,926,854 church members reported in 1916. The rate, therefore, is low, especially as compared with the present-day rate of indebtedness on property in general. Likewise, the debt of \$68,590,159, reported by the Roman Catholic Church, is exceptionally large in amount only. It is equivalent to but 18.3 per cent of the total value of its church property reported, not a large proportion as compared with many of the denominations; and it amounts to but \$4.36 per capita of the members reported.

In this connection it may be said that in a large number of cases this indebtedness represents advances by denominational societies, established for the purpose of church extension, to local organizations financially unable to meet the cost of erecting a church edifice. These loans are held at a low rate of interest, or without interest, the church being expected, as it becomes stronger, to reimburse the society.

While for all denominations, the amount of debt reported in 1916 represents 9.8 per cent of the total value of church property reported, the percentage varies greatly for the different denominations. The proportion is over 20 per cent for 10 denominations and is under 5 per cent for 24 denominations. The highest proportion, 45.9 per cent, is shown for the Russian Orthodox Church, and then in order come the Salvation Army, with 42.1 per cent, and the Volunteers of America, with 41.2 per cent. As a rule the Baptist, the Friends, the Mennonite, the Methodist, and the Presbyterian bodies show a low rate of indebtedness; and a rate of less than 1 per cent of the value of the church property reported is shown for 3 of these denominations—United Baptists, Primitive Baptists, and Friends (Hicksite). Of the denominations reporting high values of church property in 1916, the following show also high percentages of indebtedness: Jewish congregations, 21 per cent; Roman Catholic Church, 18.3 per cent; Lutheran General Council, 14.1 per cent; Lutheran Synodical Conference, 12.6 per cent; and German Evangelical Synod of North America, 11.4 per cent.

The total debt reported on church property in 1916 was larger, both in amount and as related to the value of church property reported, than in 1906. Thus, the total debt reported by all denominations in 1906 was \$108,050,946, as compared with the total debt of \$164,864,899 reported in 1916, making an increase for the decade of \$56,813,953, or 52.6 per cent. In 1906 the total debt was equivalent to 8.6 per cent of the total value of church property reported, while in 1916 the total debt was equivalent to 9.8 per cent of the total value of church property reported. The increase shown in the total amount of debt and in its proportion of the value was general throughout the denominations presented in the table.

Thus, from 1906 to 1916, the increase in the amount of indebtedness was \$19,102,104, or 38.6 per cent, for the Roman Catholic Church; \$7,974,922, or 92.3 per cent, for the Methodist Episcopal Church; \$2,593,757, or 206.5 per cent, for the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. Likewise, the increase was \$2,387,239, or 46.7 per cent, for the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; \$2,867,026, or 132.1 per cent, for the Disciples of Christ; and \$2,153,091, or 41.8 per cent, for the Northern Baptist Convention. A very large increase from 1906 to 1916 in the percentage which the debt constituted of the value of church property is shown by each of these smaller denominations: Armenian Church, from 10.5 per cent in 1906 to 22 per cent in 1916; Russian Orthodox Church, from 27.2 per cent in 1906 to 45.9 per cent in 1916; and Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI, from 13.2 per cent in 1906 to 29.8 per cent in 1916.

There were, however, exceptions to the increase in indebtedness. Eleven denominations show a decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the amount of debt reported, and for 21 denominations there was a decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the percentage of debt based on value of church property reported. A considerable decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the amount of debt reported is shown for the Salvation Army, \$215,315, or 18.6 per cent. Three other denominations showed a decrease of over \$100,000 in amount of debt, but in each case it was doubtless due to consolidations which took place during the decade. Two denominations showing a large decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the percentage which the debt constituted of the value of church property reported are the Serbian Orthodox Church, from 30.4 per cent in 1906 to 19.8 per cent in 1916, and the Polish National Catholic Church of America, from 43.9 per cent in 1906 to 33.9 per cent in 1916.

As stated above there was for all denominations an increase of \$56,813,953, or 52.6 per cent, in the amount of debt reported on church property. While this increase appears to be very large, there was during the same period an increase of 33.3 per cent in the total value of church property reported (see Table 12, p. 45), and an increase of 19.6 per cent in total church membership (see Table 5, p. 29); therefore, while the increase in

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indebtedness was large, it was not exceptionally large as compared with the accompanying increase in value of church property and in membership. Likewise, with each separate denomination, the increase in indebtedness must be considered in relation to the accompanying increase in value of church property and in church membership to determine its significance.

If the total amount of debt reported be divided by the number of organizations reporting debt, it is

shown that the average debt per organization was \$3,835 in 1916, as compared with \$3,214 in 1906. This is an increase in average debt from 1906 to 1916 of \$621, or 19.3 per cent, for each organization reporting. During the same period, however, there was, for all organizations reporting, an increase per organization of \$1,720, or 25.5 per cent, in the value of church property, and an increase of 18, or 10.8 per cent, in the average membership.

## PARSONAGES.

Inquiry as to parsonages and their value was made for the first time in 1906. The value of parsonages and the number of organizations reporting them are given for 1916, by denominations in detail, in Table 60 (p. 142), while the value of the parsonages in 1916 and 1906 is shown, for each denomination in detail, in Table 67 (p. 526). The following table shows for 1916

and 1906, for each denomination having 10,000 members or more in 1916, first, the number and proportion of organizations reporting parsonages; second, the total value of the parsonages reported; third, the amount and the percentage of increase during the decade in the value of parsonages reported; and, fourth, the average value of parsonages per organization reporting.

TABLE 15.—VALUE OF PARSONAGES REPORTED, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING PARSONAGES.				VALUE OF PARSONAGES REPORTED.					
	1916		1906		Amount.		Increase: 1906-1916.		Average per organization reporting.	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	1916	1906	Amount.	Per cent.	1916	1906
All denominations.....	65,272	28.7	54,214	25.5	\$218,846,096	\$143,496,853	\$75,350,243	52.5	\$3,853	\$2,617
Adventist bodies:										
Advent Christian.....	77	14.4	44	8.0	143,060	72,675	70,375	90.8	1,858	1,052
Seventh-day Adventist.....	16	0.8	14	0.7	20,460	14,165	6,285	44.4	1,278	1,012
Armenian Church.....			1	1.4		2,500	-2,500			2,500
Baptist bodies:										
Baptists—										
Northern Baptist Convention.....	3,166	38.8	2,581	31.2	8,325,422	5,535,612	2,789,810	50.4	2,630	2,145
Southern Baptist Convention.....	1,820	7.7	1,271	6.0	4,471,683	2,493,091	1,978,592	79.4	2,457	1,902
National Baptist Convention.....	690	3.3	709	3.8	964,325	617,241	347,084	56.2	1,308	871
Free Baptists.....	67	39.2	318	23.6	106,660	454,226	-347,576	-76.5	1,592	1,428
Free Will Baptists.....	14	1.9	8	1.3	9,630	3,400	6,230	183.2	688	425
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....			6	2.4		1,475	-1,475			240
General Baptists.....	6	1.2	6	1.2	11,100	8,900	2,200	24.7	1,850	1,483
Regular Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	2	0.5	( <sup>3</sup> )			3,100	3,100		1,550	
United Baptists.....			1	0.5		200	-200			200
Primitive Baptists <sup>4</sup> .....	7	0.3	16	0.5	14,900	38,295	-23,395	-61.1	2,120	2,393
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	12	3.6	21	2.6	13,940	10,065	3,845	38.1	1,162	481
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):										
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>1</sup> .....	65	6.5	33	4.0	160,300	56,600	103,700	133.2	2,460	1,715
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	25	12.3	20	9.9	67,250	41,700	25,550	61.3	2,690	2,085
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>1</sup> .....	183	14.5	160	11.6	379,760	266,350	113,400	48.1	2,075	1,002
Christian Union.....	8	3.6	3	1.4	11,000	2,200	8,800	400.0	1,375	733
Churches of Christ.....	22	0.4	21	0.8	28,900	22,900	6,000	26.2	1,814	1,090
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	112	25.3	79	15.3	191,600	130,051	61,549	49.6	1,738	1,040
Congregational Churches.....	3,049	52.0	2,663	47.1	2,295,284	6,761,148	2,534,136	37.5	3,049	2,511
Disciples of Christ.....	947	11.3	596	7.2	2,318,862	1,106,325	1,212,527	109.6	2,449	1,856
Eastern Orthodox Churches:										
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	6	6.9		0.6	13,200	2,800	10,400	371.4	2,200	1,400
Russian Church.....	96	56.8	25	42.4	503,614	112,243	391,371	243.7	5,240	4,490
Serbian Church.....	5	41.7	2	20.0	15,300	2,100	13,200	628.6	3,000	1,050
Syrian Church.....	6	24.0			14,500		14,500		2,417	
Evangelical Association.....	762	46.6	680	38.6	1,932,269	1,287,006	634,603	48.9	2,530	1,908
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	28	75.7	47	71.2	170,300	186,150	-16,850	-8.5	6,082	3,961
Friends:										
Friends (Orthodox).....	210	26.0	145	16.6	326,830	181,874	144,955	79.7	1,550	1,254
German Evangelical Synod.....	841	62.9	774	64.2	2,088,175	1,717,345	370,830	55.4	3,173	2,219
Independent churches.....	86	14.9	93	8.6	362,300	185,450	176,850	95.4	4,213	1,994
Jewish congregations.....	93	4.9	81	4.6	164,150	270,550	-106,400	-39.3	1,765	3,340
Latter Day Saints:										
Church of Jesus Christ.....	19	2.0	3	0.4	57,195	1,700	55,495	( <sup>4</sup> )	3,010	567
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	6	1.1	5	1.0	4,750	6,100	-1,350	-22.1	792	1,220
Lutheran bodies:										
General Synod.....	812	44.0	688	39.7	2,886,790	1,815,250	1,071,540	59.0	3,555	2,688
United Synod, South.....	164	33.3	149	33.2	451,250	339,550	111,700	32.9	2,752	2,279
General Council.....	980	41.0	797	37.1	4,187,578	2,607,237	1,580,341	60.0	4,273	3,271
Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	2,220	61.3	1,823	54.3	5,792,672	3,620,860	2,171,812	60.0	2,609	1,986
Norwegian Lutheran Church—										
Hauge's Synod.....	58	16.0	51	18.8	185,500	103,149	82,351	79.8	3,198	2,023
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	252	25.5	203	21.9	898,874	566,805	332,069	58.0	3,507	2,792
United Norwegian Church.....	352	25.3	246	20.9	1,167,375	651,370	506,005	77.7	3,288	2,648

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Not reported.<sup>4</sup> Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.



TABLE 15.—VALUE OF PARSONAGES REPORTED, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING PARSONAGES.				VALUE OF PARSONAGES REPORTED.					
	1916		1906		Amount.		Increase: 1906-1916.		Average per organization reporting.	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	1916	1906	Amount.	Per cent.	1916	1906
Lutheran bodies—Continued.										
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	474	57.3	378	49.0	\$1,247,255	\$746,264	\$500,991	67.1	\$2,631	\$1,974
Synod of Iowa.....	481	49.2	406	49.0	1,127,225	627,853	499,372	79.5	2,344	1,546
Danish Lutheran Church.....	56	55.4	42	45.7	148,352	72,200	76,152	105.5	2,649	1,719
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	22	16.4	16	15.2	55,330	28,750	26,580	92.5	2,515	1,797
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	85	22.5	46	14.4	222,150	91,000	131,150	144.1	2,614	1,978
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	90	46.9	60	30.3	235,470	103,900	131,570	126.6	2,616	1,732
Mennonite bodies:										
Mennonite Church <sup>2</sup> .....	11	3.6	5	1.8	20,750	6,700	14,050	209.7	1,886	1,340
General Conference of Mennonites.....	11	9.6	9	10.0	22,200	19,050	3,150	16.5	2,018	2,117
Methodist bodies:										
Methodist Episcopal.....	14,262	43.6	12,215	40.8	34,751,557	25,508,417	9,243,140	36.2	2,437	2,088
Methodist Protestant.....	679	27.5	661	23.3	1,385,160	910,645	474,515	52.1	2,040	1,378
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	217	37.5	176	29.6	243,650	159,175	84,475	53.1	1,123	904
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	5,327	27.7	4,566	25.6	11,777,753	7,265,610	4,512,143	62.1	2,211	1,591
Congregational Methodist.....			1	0.3		1,500	-1,500			1,500
Free Methodist.....	700	42.6	598	38.5	946,618	612,050	334,568	54.7	1,352	1,023
African Methodist Episcopal.....	1,867	28.1	1,783	26.8	2,025,552	1,255,246	770,306	61.4	1,085	704
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	485	17.9	348	15.8	632,416	350,660	281,726	80.3	1,304	1,008
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	625	20.0	421	17.7	552,106	237,547	314,559	132.4	1,052	564
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	80	72.7	77	65.8	306,100	206,025	99,475	48.1	3,826	2,083
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	82	9.5	7	7.0	107,683	22,500	85,183	378.6	1,313	3,214
Polish National Catholic Church.....	21	61.8	14	58.3	175,164	74,000	101,164	136.7	8,341	5,286
Presbyterian bodies:										
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	4,636	47.0	3,465	43.7	17,048,494	11,503,460	5,545,034	48.2	3,758	3,329
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	103	7.8	436	15.3	149,500	658,400	-508,900	-77.3	1,451	1,519
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	6	4.4	8	4.1	8,100	5,825	2,275	39.1	1,350	728
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	33	24.4	34	23.1	81,500	66,916	14,584	21.8	2,470	1,908
United Presbyterian.....	538	54.3	450	46.5	1,701,625	1,155,750	545,875	47.2	3,163	2,598
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	1,112	33.0	942	30.3	3,782,057	2,598,485	1,183,572	45.5	2,401	2,758
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	63	47.4	51	36.2	145,165	96,975	48,190	49.7	2,364	1,901
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,154	42.7	2,706	39.5	18,395,182	13,207,064	5,188,098	39.3	5,832	4,581
Reformed bodies:										
Reformed Church in America.....	523	73.8	489	74.2	2,378,790	2,022,450	356,340	17.6	4,505	4,136
Reformed Church in the United States.....	786	44.6	724	41.7	2,598,115	1,827,569	770,546	42.2	3,365	2,524
Christian Reformed Church.....	184	81.4	136	78.2	619,095	290,250	328,845	113.3	2,365	2,134
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	12	16.0	14	17.3	67,000	48,950	18,050	36.9	5,583	3,496
Roman Catholic Church.....	8,976	51.3	6,360	51.0	61,338,237	36,302,064	25,036,223	69.0	6,834	5,708
Salvation Army.....	2	0.3	7	1.0	2,857	21,500	-18,643	-86.7	1,429	3,071
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>										
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	134	41.4	91	32.4	375,200	184,500	190,700	103.4	2,800	2,027
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>2</sup> .....	3	0.9	4	0.9	10,000	3,700	6,300	170.3	3,333	925
Unitarians.....	129	31.2	115	24.9	819,912	584,760	235,162	40.2	6,356	5,055
United Brethren bodies:										
United Brethren in Christ.....	1,130	32.4	1,004	26.9	2,296,847	1,423,282	873,565	61.4	2,033	1,418
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	100	24.4	102	17.8	138,000	84,650	53,350	63.0	1,380	830
United Evangelical Church.....	401	41.9	346	35.4	962,490	610,251	352,239	57.7	2,400	1,764
Universalists.....	147	22.6	136	16.1	591,925	491,100	100,825	20.5	4,027	3,611
All other denominations.....	436	10.4	350	9.5	1,020,656	710,872	309,784	43.6	2,341	2,031

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

This table shows that the number of organizations reporting parsonages in 1916 was 65,272, or 28.7 per cent of the total number. The proportion of the organizations reporting parsonages, however, varies greatly with the different denominations. In each of 13 different denominations over 50 per cent of the organizations reported parsonages. The highest proportion of organizations reporting parsonages in 1916 is shown by the Christian Reformed Church—81.4 per cent. Then comes the Evangelical Protestant Church, with 75.7 per cent; the Reformed Church in America, with 73.8 per cent; and the Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum), with 72.7 per cent. In a considerable number of the denominations the proportion of the organizations reporting parsonages was very small, being less than 5 per cent in 16 of the denominations shown in this table.

In this connection, it should be stated that there were no parsonages reported in 1916 for 69 out of the 202 denominations, as shown in Table 60 (p. 142). The

denominations for which there were no reports as to parsonages are in general small and are mainly comprised in three classes: First, those having no regular ministry, as the Plymouth Brethren, three bodies of Friends, the Bahais, Theosophical societies, Vedantists, and others; second, those whose ministers are not set apart as a special class and receive no salaries, as in most of the Mennonite bodies, the Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith, several of the Evangelistic associations, and others; and third, those located chiefly in rural districts, and whose ministers are generally expected to supplement their salaries by other occupations, as several of the minor Baptist bodies, the Churches of the Living God, the Congregational Methodists, and some others.

The number of organizations reporting parsonages in 1906 was 54,214, or 25.5 per cent of the total number, as compared with 65,272, or 28.7 per cent of the total, in 1916. Thus, from 1906 to 1916, there was an increase of 11,058, or 20.4 per cent, in the total number



of organizations reporting parsonages. Likewise with the different denominations, as a rule there was a considerable increase from 1906 to 1916 in the proportion of the organizations reporting parsonages. Passing over the large increases of small denominations with fewer than 100 organizations each reporting parsonages in 1916, the Churches of God, General Eldership, showed an increase from 15.3 in 1906 to 25.3 per cent in 1916; the Friends (Orthodox), from 16.6 in 1906 to 26 per cent in 1916; and the Swedish Mission Covenant, from 32.4 in 1906 to 41.4 per cent in 1916. The few large percentage decreases during the decade were reported by small denominations and appear to be exceptional cases due to special causes. Of the organizations of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 436, or 15.3 per cent, reported parsonages in 1906 as against 103, or 7.8 per cent, in 1916, the great decrease being due to many of the organizations having joined the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. The decrease from 318 to 67 in the number of Free Baptist organizations reporting parsonages is explained by the fact, as stated elsewhere, that between 1906 and 1916 many of the organizations with their churches and parsonages united with the Northern Baptist Convention. This denomination, however, shows an increase in the proportion of organizations reporting parsonages, from 23.6 per cent in 1906 to 39.2 per cent in 1916. In the case of the Evangelical Protestant Church, with 28 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916 as against 47 in 1906, it appears that a number of organizations belonging to the constituent bodies failed to identify themselves with the consolidated body; the proportion of organizations reporting parsonages, however, increased from 71.2 per cent in 1906 to 75.7 per cent in 1916.

The total value of all parsonages reported was \$218,846,096 in 1916, as compared with \$143,495,853 in 1906, showing an increase for the decade of \$75,350,243, or 52.5 per cent. For all except 7 of the denominations shown in the table as having reported parsonages both in 1906 and in 1916, there is also an increase in the value reported; and each of 18 denominations shows an increase of over 100 per cent. Most of the exceptionally high percentages of increase in total value are shown by denominations with only a few organizations reporting parsonages, but the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, with 525 organizations reporting in 1916, shows an increase of \$314,559, or 132.4 per cent; the Christian Reformed Church, with 184 organizations reporting in 1916, an increase of \$328,845, or 113.3 per cent; and the Disciples of Christ, with 947 organizations reporting in 1916, an increase of \$1,212,527, or 109.6 per cent. The number of organizations of the Russian Orthodox Church reporting parsonages increased from 25 in 1906 to 96 in 1916, and the value of the parsonages

increased from \$112,243 to \$503,614, or 348.7 per cent. Marked increases in parsonage value are shown also by some of the denominations having 1,000 or more organizations reporting parsonages. The Southern Baptist Convention, with 1,820 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916, shows an increase in parsonage value from 1906 to 1916 of \$1,978,592, or 79.4 per cent; the Roman Catholic Church, with 8,976 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916, an increase in parsonage value of \$25,036,223, or 69 per cent; and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, with 5,327 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916, an increase in parsonage value of \$4,512,143, or 62.1 per cent. Similarly, the African Methodist Episcopal Church, with 1,867 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916, shows an increase from 1906 to 1916 of \$770,306, or 61.4 per cent in parsonage value; the United Brethren in Christ, with 1,130 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916, shows an increase of \$873,565, or 61.4 per cent; and the Lutheran Synodical Conference, with 2,220 organizations reporting parsonages in 1916, an increase of \$2,171,812, or 60 per cent. The principal decreases from 1906 to 1916 in the value of parsonages reported are shown by the Free Baptists—\$347,576, or 76.5 per cent—and by the Cumberland Presbyterians—\$508,900, or 77.3 per cent. These decreases, together with the decrease of \$15,850, or 8.5 per cent, shown for the Evangelical Protestant Church, are explained by the corresponding decreases in the number of organizations reporting parsonages, referred to in the preceding paragraph.

In 1916 each of 24 denominations reported parsonages valued at more than \$1,000,000, and each of the 5 denominations following reported parsonages valued at over \$10,000,000: Roman Catholic Church, \$61,338,287; Methodist Episcopal Church, \$34,751,557; Protestant Episcopal Church, \$18,395,182; Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, \$17,048,494; Methodist Episcopal Church, South, \$11,777,753. Together these 5 denominations comprised almost two-thirds (65.5 per cent) of the total valuation reported by all denominations.

The Polish National Catholic Church of America shows, for 1916, the highest average value of parsonages per organization reporting—\$8,341. Then, in order, come the Roman Catholic Church, with \$6,834; the Unitarians, with \$6,356; and the Evangelical Protestant Church, with \$6,082. In contrast with these very high average values, however, many of the denominations show quite low average values in 1916. Thus, for example, in the Baptist bodies and in the Methodist bodies shown in the table each denomination shows an average value of parsonages per organization reporting which is below the average of \$3,353 reported for all denominations. Other important denominations showing a very low average value of parsonages per organization reporting in 1916 are:

United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution), \$1,380; Cumberland Presbyterian Church, \$1,451; and Friends (Orthodox), \$1,556.

The comparatively low average value of parsonages per organization reporting shown for the Baptist and Methodist denominations, the United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution), and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church is explained by the fact that in each of these denominations a large proportion of the organizations reporting parsonages are in small towns or country districts. On the other hand, the very high average value of parsonages shown for some of the other denominations is explained primarily by the fact that a large proportion of their organizations reporting parsonages are in cities or large towns.

There was an increase from 1906 to 1916 of \$706, or 26.7 per cent, in the average value of parsonages for all denominations. This increased average valuation of parsonages per organization reporting in 1916 as compared with 1906 may represent, first, a better average type of parsonage in 1916 than in 1906, or, second, a higher average cost of construction, or,

third, a higher average valuation reported by the church officials, or, what is most likely, it may represent a combination of these factors. In the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox Churches the parsonage is frequently the residence of a number of priests, or is in some cases connected with the parish house.

The increase from 1906 to 1916 in the average value of parsonages per organization reporting was especially large for each of the following denominations: Polish National Catholic Church, \$3,055; Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, \$2,443; Spiritualists (National Association), \$2,408; and Independent churches, \$2,219. None of these denominations is large, however, and the Spiritualists and the Independent churches show a decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the number of organizations reporting parsonages. A large decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the average value of parsonages per organization reporting is shown by each of 4 denominations: Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene, \$1,901; Salvation Army, \$1,642; Jewish congregations, \$1,575; and Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, \$428.

#### CHURCH EXPENDITURES.

This report on religious bodies presents for the first time statistics showing the cost of conducting local church organizations. The statistics are based upon answers to an inquiry calling for the total expenditures of each local organization during the year 1916, classified as follows: (1) Running expenses, including all local salaries, rent, fuel, light, janitor service, etc.; (2) repairs or improvements, including payments on church debts; (3) benevolences, including gifts for missions (city, home or foreign), ministerial relief, charity, etc.; (4) all other expenses, including payments toward general denominational expenses, as the expenses of offices, meetings, the salaries of bishops, secretaries, etc., and any miscellaneous payments that passed through the hands of the church treasurer.

The answers received showed some divergence in the interpretation of the above questions, but in the main they seemed to indicate with reasonable accuracy the scope and distribution of the expenditures of the local church organizations. It should be explained that the amounts reported here under "benevolences" are in no sense comparable with the amounts contributed to missionary, educational, or philanthropic work, presented in the section on "Work of Denominations in Domestic and Foreign Fields." The latter represents the total contributions of the denominations for such purposes, whether made by church organizations, by individuals, or through specially organized societies; while the item "benevolences" in this section simply unites all the amounts given by the local church for benevolent purposes, irrespective of their distribution.

Church expenditures are given for 1916, by denominations in detail, in Table 60 (p. 142). The following

table shows, for each denomination having 10,000 members or more in 1916, the total number of organizations, the number of organizations reporting expenditures, the total amount expended, and the average amount expended per organization reporting. As some organizations reported only the total amount of expenditures without giving the distribution, the table also shows the number of organizations making such report in detail, the total amount so reported, and its distribution under the various items of expense.

Of the 227,487 local church organizations in the United States in 1916, report concerning their church expenditures for the year was made by 203,859, or 89.6 per cent. The proportion of the organizations reporting their expenditures, however, varied greatly with the different denominations. In each of 18 of the denominations shown in the table, at least 98 per cent of the organizations reported their expenditures; and in 4 of these denominations expenditures were reported by all the organizations. On the other hand, in 4 denominations less than one-half the organizations reported expenditures. In most of the denominations, however, the proportion of organizations that failed to report expenditures was probably not great enough materially to affect the average amount of expenditures per organization.

The total expenditures reported for all denominations in 1916 amounted to \$328,809,999. Of the denominations presented in the table, 33 show expenditures of \$1,000,000 or more each, and 8 of these show \$10,000,000 or more. The Roman Catholic Church reported the largest amount of expenditures, \$72,358,136; the Methodist Episcopal Church, \$43,993,681; the Presbyterian in the United States of America, \$30,166,158;

and the Protestant Episcopal, \$22,509,942. Expenditures range from these large amounts to less than \$12,000 each, reported by 2 small Baptist bodies, but for which the report covered not much more than one-fourth of the organizations. The only value of a sta-

tistical presentation of the total amount of church expenditures is to show the large sums of money expended by the denominations in support of religious organizations and their work, and the relative positions of the different denominations in regard to these expenditures.

TABLE 16.—CHURCH EXPENDITURES REPORTED, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	EXPENDITURES: 1916.								
		Organizations reporting.	Amount expended.	Average per organization reporting.	Detail of expenditures.					
					Organizations reporting.	Amount reported.	Running expenses.	Repairs or improvements.	Benevolences.	All other expenses.
All denominations.....	227,487	203,859	\$328,809,999	\$1,613	196,088	\$315,523,206	\$168,425,225	\$74,986,159	\$47,473,081	\$24,637,941
Adventist bodies:										
Advent Christian.....	535	423	274,446	649	423	274,446	176,083	56,635	24,188	16,640
Seventh-day Adventist.....	2,011	1,737	1,887,772	1,087	1,737	1,887,772	353,719	122,805	1,001,157	410,091
Armenian Church.....	84	24	32,440	1,352	18	20,199	13,328	2,450	2,140	2,281
Baptist bodies:										
Baptists—										
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,159	7,848	16,082,462	2,049	7,834	16,042,248	9,849,212	3,014,440	2,486,186	693,410
Southern Baptist Convention.....	23,627	21,078	15,063,743	715	20,766	14,938,039	7,705,581	3,263,483	3,290,904	678,066
National Baptist Convention.....	21,113	19,988	8,361,919	418	18,765	7,876,052	5,680,090	1,119,368	438,481	637,118
Free Baptists.....	171	153	123,363	806	153	123,363	84,192	24,356	9,399	5,416
Free Will Baptists.....	750	612	75,835	124	612	75,835	50,802	13,380	6,471	5,182
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	170	168	36,647	218	168	36,647	21,382	5,969	4,520	4,786
General Baptists.....	518	424	64,698	153	424	64,698	41,745	14,938	4,071	3,944
Regular Baptists.....	401	143	11,855	83	143	11,855	6,751	3,480	847	777
United Baptists.....	254	69	4,837	70	69	4,837	2,816	831	942	248
Primitive Baptists.....	2,143	964	96,270	100	964	96,270	58,235	34,094	2,618	1,323
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	336	170	22,881	135	170	22,881	15,817	4,183	1,837	1,044
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):										
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	999	911	705,725	775	911	705,725	302,457	153,124	187,730	62,414
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	203	185	204,562	1,108	185	204,562	120,298	43,925	20,706	19,033
Brethren, Plymouth, I to VI.....	470	877	185,954	493	877	185,954	73,066	13,647	31,733	17,458
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	1,265	1,103	644,044	584	1,098	639,954	415,371	122,073	61,561	39,949
Christian Union.....	220	176	47,079	267	176	47,079	40,508	3,071	1,593	1,937
Churches of Christ.....	5,570	2,168	679,191	313	1,815	541,045	318,403	116,193	56,782	49,667
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	443	402	266,338	603	402	266,338	145,827	65,943	25,347	29,221
Congregational Churches.....	5,867	5,619	14,220,133	2,531	5,541	14,036,254	8,654,969	2,507,790	2,372,243	501,252
Disciples of Christ.....	8,408	5,568	8,797,820	1,580	4,741	8,199,825	4,521,098	2,265,128	857,535	556,064
Eastern Orthodox Churches:										
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	87	74	230,288	3,112	43	139,440	75,121	37,796	6,032	20,491
Russian Church.....	169	165	549,776	3,332	165	549,776	192,082	113,133	25,023	219,538
Serbian Church.....	12	12	29,353	2,446	12	29,353	17,051	1,962	1,975	8,365
Syrian Church.....	25	24	28,498	1,187	24	28,498	20,605	3,783	971	3,289
Evangelical Association.....	1,636	1,615	1,939,368	1,201	1,581	1,915,035	831,604	306,280	372,205	344,946
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	37	37	197,104	5,330	37	197,194	87,250	88,589	14,033	7,322
Friends:										
Friends (Orthodox).....	809	757	714,166	943	723	695,858	359,342	162,283	105,546	68,687
Friends (Hicksite).....	166	156	100,777	646	142	93,082	38,824	23,623	21,437	9,198
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,336	1,303	2,375,690	1,823	1,303	2,375,690	1,382,657	519,898	327,690	145,445
Independent churches.....	579	513	765,815	1,493	464	675,841	399,606	120,912	118,297	37,026
Jewish congregations.....	1,901	1,516	4,352,935	2,871	1,321	3,514,077	2,860,904	226,257	173,843	253,073
Letter Day Saints:										
Church of Jesus Christ.....	955	948	804,068	848	945	803,693	255,810	230,969	206,400	111,014
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	565	422	145,036	344	384	134,654	47,203	41,305	27,301	18,785
Lutheran bodies:										
General Synod.....	1,846	1,810	4,342,251	2,399	1,748	4,265,824	2,083,792	1,354,778	679,707	147,547
United Synod, South.....	492	467	446,283	956	467	446,283	232,672	97,135	94,876	21,700
General Council.....	2,359	2,343	5,630,234	2,403	2,199	5,421,532	2,831,784	1,424,989	881,949	332,810
Synodical Conference.....	3,621	3,339	6,721,599	2,013	3,209	6,425,496	3,666,220	1,540,047	976,292	242,937
Norwegian Lutheran Church—										
Hauge's Synod.....	362	284	270,914	954	263	263,444	119,879	77,319	49,503	16,743
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	987	939	836,923	891	884	814,880	397,445	176,608	179,624	61,203
United Norwegian Church.....	1,391	1,356	1,431,715	1,056	1,227	1,371,711	681,601	407,959	285,358	96,903
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	827	806	1,256,673	1,559	788	1,243,040	686,461	280,899	237,540	58,140
Synod of Iowa.....	977	957	1,089,874	1,139	950	1,076,174	499,210	275,585	249,867	50,512
Danish Lutheran Church.....	101	97	105,356	1,086	95	104,786	63,568	22,472	12,340	6,496
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	134	128	73,977	578	128	73,977	42,561	10,709	9,901	10,806
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	378	361	287,988	798	311	261,928	102,779	91,679	53,506	13,964
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	192	186	193,593	1,041	172	181,827	98,339	41,220	33,742	8,017
Mennonite bodies:										
Mennonite Church.....	307	281	156,069	555	281	156,069	44,647	27,221	78,019	6,182
General Conference of Mennonites.....	114	107	149,237	1,395	107	149,237	54,647	18,166	67,380	9,044
Methodist bodies:										
Methodist Episcopal.....	29,342	28,791	43,993,681	1,528	28,609	43,915,880	21,443,134	11,373,071	7,977,026	3,122,049
Methodist Protestant.....	2,473	2,393	1,509,243	631	2,393	1,509,243	991,447	361,083	158,713	67,026
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	579	525	829,294	827	522	824,903	445,204	85,462	40,810	47,418
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	19,220	18,751	17,139,398	914	18,749	17,130,378	8,062,343	3,933,473	2,862,361	2,272,201
Congregational Methodist.....	197	139	18,806	993	127	12,461	6,675	3,767	800	1,219
Free Methodist.....	1,608	1,426	772,038	541	1,425	769,158	480,694	126,166	81,179	81,119
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,636	6,516	3,413,395	524	6,260	3,313,316	2,101,476	609,645	220,686	381,500
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,716	2,641	1,700,737	644	2,583	1,649,091	1,051,012	248,579	112,286	237,214
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,621	2,613	1,736,692	665	2,613	1,736,692	1,003,003	354,410	200,388	178,891
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	110	109	309,180	2,837	109	309,180	157,345	59,826	75,222	10,787
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	867	712	688,706	827	663	504,754	257,215	93,194	78,502	75,843
Polish National Catholic Church.....	84	32	149,839	4,682	30	142,839	83,237	30,913	8,420	20,269
Presbyterian bodies:										
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,660	9,059	30,166,158	3,330	8,686	29,403,361	15,909,903	5,447,281	6,065,169	1,981,028
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,317	1,009	330,905	328	809	278,724	169,431	66,745	18,787	24,361
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	136	127	39,497	311	112	35,730	24,274	5,468	5,781	207
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	135	129	173,977	1,349	129	173,977	108,054	24,350	23,391	18,182

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TABLE 16.—CHURCH EXPENDITURES REPORTED, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	Total number of organizations.	EXPENDITURES: 1916.								
		Organizations reporting.	Amount expended.	Average per organization reporting.	Detail of expenditures.					
					Organizations reporting.	Amount reported.	Running expenses.	Repairs or improvements.	Benevolences.	All other expenses.
Presbyterian bodies—Continued.										
United Presbyterian.....	991	974	\$3,094,945	\$3,178	968	\$3,064,649	\$1,641,128	\$448,005	\$842,748	\$132,768
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,388	3,101	5,809,909	1,874	3,101	5,809,909	2,757,638	1,034,665	1,663,090	324,526
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	133	133	178,138	1,339	133	178,138	99,691	25,472	39,833	13,062
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,392	6,831	22,509,942	3,295	6,831	22,509,942	12,685,790	4,002,865	3,867,397	1,963,887
Reformed bodies:										
Reformed Church in America.....	715	705	2,746,065	3,895	693	2,696,546	1,095,551	391,494	536,763	72,738
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,761	1,714	3,247,773	1,895	1,663	3,171,981	1,659,829	715,433	645,439	151,289
Christian Reformed Church.....	228	221	715,193	3,236	212	694,765	328,375	125,428	192,225	48,737
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	75	75	180,880	2,412	61	171,424	111,862	10,040	42,250	7,272
Roman Catholic Church.....	17,487	13,722	72,358,136	5,273	12,823	64,332,584	31,716,201	22,638,027	3,929,581	6,067,775
Salvation Army.....	749	744	1,722,120	2,315	742	1,714,288	1,032,714	49,631	128,730	502,913
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:										
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	324	311	522,352	1,680	288	483,865	309,136	98,928	48,346	27,455
Spiritualists (National Association).....	346	278	173,048	622	269	156,544	124,373	15,592	5,552	11,026
Unitarians.....	414	369	1,485,556	4,026	326	1,365,275	1,032,780	151,462	141,670	39,453
United Brethren bodies:										
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,487	3,373	3,315,238	983	3,148	3,086,830	1,517,208	746,851	414,237	406,534
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	409	402	185,865	462	402	185,865	105,444	28,833	28,804	22,779
United Evangelical Church.....	957	927	1,111,264	1,199	926	1,110,684	530,256	201,263	188,864	90,301
Universalists.....	650	573	1,089,075	1,866	562	1,037,152	770,091	156,857	55,084	55,120
Volunteers of America.....	97	87	232,010	3,463	67	232,010	123,497	10,759	69,818	27,936
All other denominations.....	4,185	3,054	2,670,282	874	2,989	2,602,291	1,463,550	474,947	500,310	163,484

Table 16 shows that of the 203,859 organizations reporting expenditures, 196,988 organizations, or 96.6 per cent, reported their expenditures in detail, and that such expenditures constituted 96 per cent of all expenditures reported. Expenditures reported in detail amounted to \$315,523,206 and were distributed as follows: Running expenses, \$168,425,225, or 53.4 per cent of the total; repairs or improvements, \$74,986,159, or 23.8 per cent; benevolences, \$47,473,981, or 15 per cent; and all other expenses, \$24,637,841, or 7.8 per cent. It is apparent from the table, however, that the distribution of expenditures varied greatly with the different denominations. Thus, for all denominations, 15 per cent of the expenditures were for benevolences, but the percentage was 53 for the Seventh-day Adventist Denomination and only 6.1 for the Roman Catholic Church. Similarly, for all denominations, 23.8 per cent of the expenditures were for repairs or improvements, but the percentage fell below 10 for some of the denominations. There was, however, as the table shows, less variation among denominations in the proportion which running expenses constituted of the total expenditures.

The average amount of expenditures per organization reporting in 1916 was for all organizations \$1,613, but the average varied greatly with the different denominations. The highest average per organization—\$5,330—is shown by the Evangelical Protestant Church; for the Roman Catholic Church the average was \$5,273; for the Polish National Catholic Church of America, \$4,682; and for the Unitarians, \$4,026. The lowest average per organization—\$70—is reported by the United Baptists, and the next lowest by the Regular Baptists—\$83. In contrast with the very low averages shown by these two Baptist bodies, the

Northern Baptist Convention shows an average per organization of \$2,049. Likewise, of the Methodist bodies shown in the table, the average amount expended per organization reporting varied from \$524 for the African Methodist Episcopal Church to \$1,528 for the Methodist Episcopal Church. In the Presbyterian bodies, the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church shows an average per organization of only \$311, as against an average of \$3,330 for the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

For many purposes, a statement of the average amount of expenditures per organization reporting is not entirely satisfactory, since the local organization is not a very good unit of measurement. Neither the need for expenditures nor the ability to contribute is the same in each organization, but, to a considerable extent, must vary directly as the membership. Therefore, the average amount of expenditures per member should be quite significant. This can not be precisely determined for the denominations which did not make a full report of both membership and expenditures. For a considerable number of the denominations shown in Table 16, however, both membership and expenditures were reported by a very large proportion of the organizations, and it is safe to assume for these denominations that the organizations which did not report membership, and those which did not report expenditures, were average organizations in these respects. On this assumption, the number of members and the amount of expenditures were raised to 100 per cent and the average expenditure per member computed therefrom. The results of these computations, in comparison with the average expenditure per organization reporting, are shown in Table 17, covering 51 separate denominations, in each of which substan-

tially 90 per cent of the organizations made report concerning amount of expenditures. In this table the denominations are arranged in the order of their rank in average expenditure per member.

DENOMINATION.	CHURCH EXPENDITURES: 1916.					
	Total amount.	Approximate average per member.		Average per organization reporting.		Rank.
		Amount.	Rank.	Amount.	Rank.	
All denominations.....	\$328,809,999	\$8.73	----	\$1,613	---	---
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	22,509,042	22.16	1	3,295	5	5
Unitarians.....	1,485,556	20.06	2	4,026	1	1
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	30,166,158	19.92	3	3,330	4	4
United Presbyterian Church.....	3,094,945	19.59	4	3,178	7	7
Reformed Church in America.....	2,746,065	19.22	5	3,895	2	2
Christian Reformed Church.....	715,193	18.91	6	3,236	6	6
Congregational Churches.....	14,220,133	18.74	7	2,531	9	9
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	522,352	18.66	8	1,680	17	17
Presbyterian Church in the United States..	5,809,909	17.61	9	1,874	15	15
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	329,294	17.47	10	627	44	44
Evangelical Association.....	1,939,368	16.26	11	1,201	23	23
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	16,082,462	13.55	12	2,049	12	12
United Evangelical.....	1,111,264	12.77	13	1,199	24	24
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	173,977	12.41	14	1,349	21	21
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	43,993,681	12.05	15	1,528	19	19
Lutheran—General Synod.....	4,342,251	11.95	16	2,399	11	11
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	309,180	11.83	17	2,337	8	8
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	178,138	11.78	18	1,339	22	22
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	193,593	11.53	19	1,041	29	29
Free Baptists.....	123,363	10.97	20	806	35	35
Lutheran—Free Church (Norwegian).....	287,986	10.65	21	798	36	36
Lutheran—General Council.....	5,630,234	10.61	22	2,403	10	10
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	266,338	10.28	23	663	40	40
General Conference of Mennonites.....	149,287	10.22	24	1,395	20	20
United Brethren (Old Constitution).....	185,865	9.88	25	462	48	48
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,315,238	9.81	26	983	30	30
Reformed Church in the United States.....	3,247,773	9.67	27	1,895	14	14
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	6,721,599	9.37	28	2,013	13	13
Brethren Church (Progressive Dunkers).....	204,562	9.24	29	1,106	26	26
Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	1,080,874	8.50	30	1,139	25	25
United Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	1,431,715	8.34	31	1,056	28	28
Methodist Protestant Church.....	1,509,243	8.34	32	631	43	43
Lutheran—United Synod, South.....	440,283	8.30	33	956	31	31
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	17,139,368	8.29	34	914	33	33
Friends (Orthodox).....	714,166	8.22	35	943	32	32
Synod for Norwegian Lutheran Church.....	836,923	7.81	36	891	34	34
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	1,250,073	7.81	37	1,559	18	18
Danish Lutheran Church.....	105,350	7.55	38	1,086	27	27
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	705,725	7.35	39	775	37	37
German Evangelical Synod.....	2,375,600	7.14	40	1,823	16	16
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	1,786,092	7.09	41	665	39	39
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	1,700,737	6.80	42	644	42	42
African Methodist Episcopal.....	3,413,395	6.34	43	524	47	47
Friends (Hicksite).....	100,777	6.24	44	640	41	41
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	15,063,743	6.22	45	715	38	38
Russian Orthodox Church.....	549,776	5.05	46	3,332	3	3
Mennonite Church.....	150,069	4.88	47	555	46	46
Lutheran—Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	73,977	4.10	48	578	45	45
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	39,497	3.23	49	311	50	50
Baptists—National Convention.....	8,361,019	3.00	50	418	49	49
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	36,647	2.76	51	218	51	51

The table shows that of the 51 denominations represented only 4 had the same rank both in approximate average expenditure per member and average amount per organization. These 4 denominations are the Christian Reformed Church, with a rank of 2, the Northern Baptist Convention, with a rank of 3, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion, with a rank of 4, and the Colored Free Will Baptists, with a rank of 5. For 26 denominations there was a variation of rank of from 1 to 5, and for 6 denominations a variation of from 6 to 10, but for the remaining 15 denominations there was a much wider variation in rank. In the case of the Russian Orthodox Church, one of the denominations which includes all baptized persons as members (see p. 28), the wide variation due to the very large number of members per organization, making a small average expenditure per member. This is also true of the Roman Catholic Church, which is omitted from the table on account of the large percentage of organizations making report of expenditures. A similar computation of this denomination shows an approximate average expenditure per member of \$5.83 and an average expenditure per organization of \$5,271.

So far as can be determined from the table, it appears to be no uniformity among denominations as to the average amount of expenditures per member. Among the denominations shown, the average varied from \$22.16 for the members of the Protestant Episcopal Church to \$2.76 for the members of the Colored Free Will Baptist Church. Of these denominations, the former reported more than 25,000 of its members living in cities of 25,000 or over, while the latter reported no members living in such cities. As a general statement, it may be said that most of the denominations which show a low average amount of expenditures per member have a large proportion of their membership in small cities or rural districts, but the reverse is not true in all cases that an average expenditure per member is only shown for denominations having the greater proportion of members in large cities.

## SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The statistics of Sunday schools, as given in this report, relate both to denominational schools, as derived from the schedules returned by the local church organizations, and to undenominational or union Sunday schools, as supplied by the International Sunday School Association. Inquiries concerning Sunday schools were also made at the census of 1906, so that it is possible in this report to present comparative statistics for the two censuses.

### DENOMINATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Statistics for denominational Sunday schools for 1916 are given in Table 60 (p. 142), and comparative figures for 1906 are presented in Table 67 (p. 526).

The following table shows, for 1916 and 1906, for each denomination reporting 10,000 members or more in 1916, the number and per cent of organizations reporting Sunday schools; the number of schools reported; the number of officers and teachers; and the number of scholars with their increase during the decade.

According to Table 18, the total number of organizations reporting Sunday schools in 1916 was 186; the number of Sunday schools reported was 194; the number of officers and teachers, 1,952,631; the number of scholars, 19,935,890. Compared with 1906, the table shows that the percentage of organizations reporting Sunday schools rose from 79 to 85, and that there was an increase of 35.7 per cent in

number of scholars reported. There was also an increase during the decade in the number of schools and of officers and teachers, the percentages of increase being 9.3 and 18.4, respectively.

TABLE 18.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS, OFFICERS AND TEACHERS, AND SCHOLARS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 10,000 members or more in 1916.]

SUNDAY SCHOOLS CONDUCTED BY CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.												
DENOMINATION.	1916					1906					Increase <sup>1</sup> in number of scholars: 1906-1916.	
	Number of organizations reporting.	Per cent of total organizations.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of organizations reporting.	Per cent of total organizations.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
All denominations.....	186,183	81.8	194,759	1,952,631	19,935,890	167,574	79.0	178,214	1,648,664	14,685,997	5,249,893	35.7
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	379	70.8	383	3,134	21,007	362	65.8	367	2,876	16,941	4,066	24.0
Seventh-day Adventist.....	1,803	89.7	1,929	15,298	74,863	1,656	87.7	1,813	11,033	50,225	24,638	49.1
Armenian Church.....	6	(?)	7	17	665	4	(?)	4	9	340	325	95.6
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	7,517	92.1	8,188	112,901	1,028,952	7,346	88.8	8,220	102,506	851,269	177,683	20.9
Southern Baptist Convention.....	17,555	74.3	18,102	160,171	1,665,996	14,371	68.1	15,035	106,017	1,014,690	651,306	64.2
National Baptist Convention.....	19,909	94.3	20,099	123,817	1,181,270	17,478	94.3	17,910	100,069	924,665	256,605	27.8
Free Baptists.....	141	82.5	147	1,532	11,642	1,059	78.7	1,089	9,170	65,101	53,459	82.1
Free Will Baptists.....	390	52.0	396	2,547	22,421	263	43.3	263	1,440	12,720	9,701	76.3
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	87	51.2	90	483	4,168	100	39.8	100	882	3,307	861	26.0
General Baptists.....	305	58.9	305	2,140	18,545	230	44.4	240	1,520	11,558	6,887	59.1
Regular Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	50	12.5	50	264	2,587	21	10.7	23	163	1,360	2,587	48.5
United Baptists.....	16	6.3	17	92	701	166	20.8	166	911	6,224	3,023	48.6
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	87	25.9	88	406	3,201	166	20.8	166	911	6,224	3,023	48.6
Brotherhood, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>2</sup> .....	890	90.0	1,279	12,629	111,686	708	86.1	1,057	9,212	66,595	45,091	67.7
Brotherhood Church (Progressive).....	183	90.1	193	2,402	23,728	156	77.2	164	1,564	11,850	11,878	100.2
Brotherhood, Plymouth, I to VI.....	245	52.1	261	1,135	11,678	199	49.4	210	892	8,911	2,767	31.1
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	1,110	87.7	1,115	11,093	91,853	1,136	82.4	1,149	10,510	72,063	18,990	25.9
Christian Union.....	172	78.2	173	1,479	11,582	168	77.4	169	1,514	9,234	2,348	25.4
Churches of Christ.....	3,408	61.2	3,441	15,213	167,809	1,225	46.2	1,260	5,112	56,086	111,723	199.2
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	388	87.6	393	4,706	39,259	398	76.8	411	4,253	29,487	9,772	33.1
Congregational Churches.....	5,537	94.4	5,804	77,607	654,922	5,327	93.2	5,741	75,801	638,089	16,833	2.6
Disciples of Christ.....	7,549	89.8	7,706	84,596	942,879	6,676	80.5	6,818	65,364	578,418	364,461	63.0
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	17	(?)	17	27	1,088	4	1.2	4	6	371	717	193.3
Russian Church.....	116	68.6	126	150	6,739	1	(?)	1	2	75	6,664	(?)
Serbian Church.....	8	(?)	9	11	653	1	(?)	1	1	13	640	(?)
Syrian Church.....	8	(?)	8	31	515	1	(?)	1	1	50	465	930.0
Evangelical Association.....	1,535	93.8	1,574	19,897	172,129	1,571	98.3	1,631	19,977	121,822	50,307	41.3
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	36	(?)	38	795	7,997	60	(?)	61	1,225	11,362	3,365	29.6
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	702	86.8	718	7,885	64,583	723	82.8	762	6,931	47,612	16,971	35.6
Friends (Hicksite).....	104	62.7	107	831	6,296	116	53.2	118	771	5,944	352	5.9
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,203	90.0	1,244	14,234	145,377	1,086	90.1	1,111	12,079	116,106	29,271	25.2
Independent Churches.....	463	80.0	488	4,396	39,077	526	76.6	522	6,732	57,680	18,603	32.3
Jewish congregations.....	615	32.4	697	3,528	66,522	561	31.7	600	2,239	49,514	17,008	34.3
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	942	97.6	1,058	18,066	152,930	660	96.6	766	14,765	113,139	39,791	35.2
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	501	88.7	558	6,061	28,222	376	75.0	403	3,742	16,946	11,276	66.5
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	1,766	95.7	1,810	30,657	311,501	1,628	93.9	1,696	26,288	225,948	85,553	37.9
United Synod, South.....	438	89.0	441	4,784	48,697	380	84.6	385	3,901	30,039	13,658	45.5
General Council.....	2,179	91.2	2,385	33,954	307,695	1,914	89.2	2,110	28,845	254,882	52,713	20.7
Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	1,370	37.8	1,584	10,237	110,300	1,446	43.0	1,558	6,181	94,594	15,706	16.6
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	269	74.3	298	1,571	14,011	194	71.3	218	1,101	8,995	5,016	55.8
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	429	43.5	465	2,817	24,313	370	39.9	443	1,945	18,714	5,599	29.9
United Norwegian Church.....	806	57.9	873	5,723	44,042	842	71.5	995	5,109	43,714	19,164	40.3
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	687	83.1	714	5,641	66,773	601	77.8	624	4,395	47,609	19,164	37.9
Synod of Iowa.....	769	78.7	808	3,646	38,120	614	74.2	640	2,449	27,642	10,478	37.9
Danish Lutheran Church.....	65	64.4	68	263	2,981	58	(?)	64	231	2,983	—	—
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	112	83.6	203	1,862	9,752	77	73.3	108	571	4,515	5,237	116.0
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	243	64.3	267	1,450	10,285	211	65.9	233	1,127	7,479	2,806	37.5
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	165	85.9	178	1,012	7,777	142	71.7	153	775	6,116	1,661	27.2
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church <sup>2</sup> .....	270	87.9	289	4,130	37,096	210	75.8	227	2,765	22,165	14,931	67.4
General Conference of Mennonites.....	105	92.1	109	1,377	17,594	84	(?)	89	1,148	12,472	5,122	41.1
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	27,549	93.9	28,580	391,949	3,872,264	26,869	89.7	28,102	351,312	2,700,742	1,171,522	43.4
Methodist Protestant.....	2,081	84.1	2,116	20,778	177,918	2,118	74.5	2,181	18,970	141,086	96,832	66.1
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	16,308	84.8	16,690	152,177	1,688,559	13,846	77.7	14,306	113,328	1,040,180	648,399	62.3
Congregational Methodist.....	147	74.6	147	790	8,034	181	55.7	182	1,146	8,785	—	—
Free Methodist.....	1,150	71.6	1,197	8,763	58,553	1,066	68.6	1,124	7,493	41,443	17,110	41.3
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,084	91.7	6,277	45,350	311,051	6,056	91.1	6,285	41,941	292,689	18,362	6.3
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,535	93.3	2,644	18,982	135,102	2,060	93.5	2,092	16,245	107,692	27,410	25.5
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,541	96.9	2,643	18,890	167,880	2,207	92.7	2,328	12,375	92,457	75,422	81.6
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	104	94.5	112	1,494	14,954	107	91.5	119	1,413	12,901	2,053	15.9
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	727	83.9	747	6,029	40,575	80	80.0	82	824	5,039	35,536	705.2
Polish National Catholic Church.....	27	(?)	27	40	2,927	20	(?)	22	26	1,289	1,638	127.1
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,848	91.6	9,631	140,756	1,381,682	7,393	93.2	8,300	118,602	1,045,056	336,626	32.2
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	903	68.6	909	6,618	53,431	1,817	63.8	1,846	15,596	120,311	66,880	55.6
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	133	97.8	139	1,928	7,471	192	98.0	192	1,681	6,952	519	7.5
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	127	94.1	127	1,446	10,789	136	92.5	138	1,347	115,963	40,109	34.6
United Presbyterian.....	976	98.5	1,019	15,160	156,072	948	97.9	991	12,841	115,963	128,398	65.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	2,744	81.5	3,273	32,312	313,165	2,301	74.1	2,699	24,327	189,767	3,679	37.8
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	128	96.2	146	1,379	13,411	126	89.4	131	1,109	9,732	—	—

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.  
<sup>2</sup> When shown where it exceeds 1,000.

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>2</sup> Per cent not shown where it exceeds 1,000.

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.  
<sup>2</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.



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TABLE 18.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS, OFFICERS AND TEACHERS, AND SCHOLARS, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS CONDUCTED BY CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.										Increase <sup>1</sup> in number of scholars: 1906-1916.	
	1916					1906						
	Number of organizations reporting.	Per cent of total organizations.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of organizations reporting.	Per cent of total organizations.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,552	75.1	5,790	55,918	489,036	5,211	76.1	5,601	51,048	464,351	24,685	5.3
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	697	97.5	799	12,538	123,092	639	97.0	757	12,089	120,705	2,387	2.0
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,658	94.2	1,738	29,389	304,250	1,569	90.4	1,677	25,191	222,324	81,926	36.8
Christian Reformed Church.....	188	83.2	214	1,681	24,445	133	76.4	180	1,424	18,340	6,105	33.3
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	70	(*)	72	878	8,603	76	(*)	89	959	9,864	-1,261	-12.8
Roman Catholic Church.....	11,748	67.2	12,800	71,370	1,860,836	9,406	75.4	11,172	62,470	1,481,535	379,301	25.6
Salvation Army.....	705	94.1	716	4,680	41,295	574	82.7	579	2,437	17,346	23,949	138.1
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	305	94.1	322	3,464	30,937	258	91.8	291	2,862	24,888	6,049	24.3
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>3</sup> .....	75	21.7	81	450	3,180	75	16.5	76	436	2,699	481	17.8
Unitarians.....	331	80.0	334	3,064	19,675	358	77.7	364	3,592	24,005	-4,830	-18.0
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,251	93.2	3,299	41,223	402,838	3,325	89.1	3,409	37,993	278,764	124,074	44.5
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	367	89.7	376	3,740	24,113	452	79.0	461	4,176	22,556	1,557	6.9
United Evangelical Church.....	905	94.6	944	13,908	129,453	883	90.3	918	12,136	93,176	36,277	38.9
Universalists.....	467	71.8	467	5,170	33,272	596	70.4	600	6,585	42,201	-8,929	-21.2
Volunteers of America.....	26	(*)	26	128	1,483	36	(*)	36	223	1,736	-253	-14.6
All other denominations.....	2,567	61.3	2,668	19,179	166,315	2,179	59.0	2,276	15,814	117,999	48,316	40.9

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

The number of organizations reporting Sunday schools increased from 167,574 to 186,183, or 11.1 per cent, which may be contrasted with the gain of 7.2 per cent in the number of church organizations as a whole, showing that the extension of Sunday schools has been proportionately greater than that of church organizations. This extension of Sunday school work is further indicated by contrasting the percentage of increase in the number of scholars, 35.7, with that in number of church members, 19.6. The increase may be in part explained by the increasing custom of including adult classes, and by the formation of a home department for those unable to attend the regular services, but it also indicates that churches are extending their work with respect to Sunday schools.

In comparing these statistics for the different denominations, it must be borne in mind that they relate entirely to what is known as the Sunday school, and do not cover parochial or other institutions which supplement, or sometimes take the place of, the Sunday school. Thus, it will be noted that the percentage of Sunday schools in the larger Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian bodies, the Protestant Episcopal Church, and kindred bodies is high, as compared with the Roman Catholic Church, many of the Lutheran synods, and the Jewish congregations, where the purpose of the Sunday school is met to a considerable degree by a different type of school—in the Roman Catholic Church and the Lutheran bodies by parochial schools, and in the Jewish congregations by various forms of religious schools, or what are known as Talmud Torah schools. It does not follow, therefore, that the actual measure of

religious instruction to children is indicated distinctively by the percentage of organizations reporting Sunday schools. The parochial schools of the Roman Catholic Church and of some Lutheran churches, while conducted during the week, give religious as well as secular education, and, as has been stated, to a considerable extent take the place of Sunday schools.

The denominations in which 95 per cent or more of their organizations reported Sunday schools were the United Presbyterian Church, 98.5 per cent; the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church, 97.8 per cent; the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 97.6 per cent; Reformed Church in America, 97.5 per cent; Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, 96.9 per cent; Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, 96.2 per cent; Lutheran General Synod, 95.7 per cent.

The denominations reporting over 1,000,000 scholars were the Methodist Episcopal Church, 3,872,264; Roman Catholic Church, 1,860,836; Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 1,688,559; Southern Baptist Convention, 1,665,996; Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 1,381,682; National Baptist Convention (Negro), 1,181,270; Northern Baptist Convention, 1,028,952.

Among the bodies that supplement the Sunday school with parochial or other schools, it is noticeable that in the Roman Catholic Church Sunday schools were reported by 67.2 per cent of the organizations; in the Jewish congregations by 32.4 per cent; and in the Synod for the Norwegian Lutheran Church by 43.5 per cent. In the Russian Orthodox Church, 116 organizations, representing 68.6 per cent of the total, reported 126 Sunday schools, with 150 officers and



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teachers and 6,739 scholars, which would indicate that in many cases the school was really a Sunday class led by a single priest. The situation was similar in the Greek and other Eastern Churches.

Of the denominations included in the table, only a few showed a decrease in Sunday school statistics. The decrease in the Free Baptists, the Evangelical Protestant

Church, and the Cumberland Presbyterian Church was due in each case to partial consolidation of denominations, as explained in preceding sections of this report.

Table 19 gives, for 1916 and 1906, statistics of Sunday schools, by geographic divisions and states, with the increase in the number of scholars during the decade.

TABLE 19.—DENOMINATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS FOR ALL DENOMINATIONS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1916 AND 1906.

DIVISION AND STATE.	DENOMINATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
	1916			1906			Increase <sup>1</sup> in number of scholars: 1906-1916.	
	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
UNITED STATES.....	104,759	1,952,631	19,935,890	178,214	1,648,664	14,685,997	5,249,893	35.7
<b>GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS:</b>								
New England.....	7,942	111,073	1,105,119	7,915	108,824	985,853	119,266	12.1
Middle Atlantic.....	24,378	360,633	4,052,130	23,853	338,810	3,206,709	755,421	22.9
East North Central.....	32,065	386,048	4,022,299	32,144	345,694	2,974,713	1,063,586	35.4
West North Central.....	26,403	256,484	2,449,855	26,561	224,690	1,830,422	619,433	33.8
South Atlantic.....	40,655	337,852	3,408,250	35,763	273,704	2,412,617	995,633	41.3
East South Central.....	27,004	191,964	1,913,790	23,543	147,368	1,317,753	596,037	45.2
West South Central.....	23,905	182,886	1,795,993	19,408	124,719	1,115,408	680,585	61.0
Mountain.....	5,387	52,734	494,359	3,617	35,993	319,261	175,095	54.8
Pacific.....	7,020	72,957	688,095	5,410	48,862	433,258	254,837	58.8
<b>NEW ENGLAND:</b>								
Maine.....	1,479	14,881	130,433	1,450	13,420	107,440	22,993	21.4
New Hampshire.....	796	8,272	77,593	763	7,815	64,865	12,728	19.6
Vermont.....	782	7,487	61,109	872	8,200	61,277	-168	-0.3
Massachusetts.....	3,015	53,047	555,236	2,999	51,882	491,697	63,539	12.9
Rhode Island.....	500	8,513	90,393	491	8,187	80,901	9,492	11.7
Connecticut.....	1,370	18,873	190,355	1,340	19,320	179,673	10,682	5.9
<b>MIDDLE ATLANTIC:</b>								
New York.....	8,616	118,473	1,296,956	8,795	123,319	1,247,061	49,905	4.0
New Jersey.....	3,042	47,002	501,756	2,785	42,613	404,095	97,661	24.2
Pennsylvania.....	12,720	195,158	2,253,418	12,278	172,878	1,645,563	607,855	36.9
<b>EAST NORTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Ohio.....	8,970	123,153	1,330,312	9,226	111,122	939,469	390,843	41.6
Indiana.....	5,979	73,633	735,967	5,879	63,042	510,809	219,158	42.4
Illinois.....	8,271	103,857	1,083,048	8,173	92,913	825,323	257,725	31.2
Michigan.....	4,051	54,128	555,007	4,830	49,847	414,421	140,586	33.9
Wisconsin.....	3,894	31,277	323,965	4,036	28,770	278,691	45,274	18.2
<b>WEST NORTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Minnesota.....	3,876	32,723	328,883	3,975	29,521	273,223	55,660	20.4
Iowa.....	5,144	58,005	540,174	5,575	54,016	413,548	126,626	30.6
Missouri.....	6,823	67,893	664,567	6,917	59,678	504,770	159,797	31.7
North Dakota.....	1,918	11,291	102,411	1,511	7,407	61,199	41,212	67.3
South Dakota.....	1,656	10,560	98,325	1,463	8,587	71,554	27,771	33.1
Nebraska.....	2,689	27,879	253,765	2,845	24,242	192,443	61,322	31.9
Kansas.....	4,294	50,133	461,230	4,275	41,239	313,685	147,545	47.0
<b>SOUTH ATLANTIC:</b>								
Delaware.....	442	5,825	56,230	441	5,604	49,926	6,354	12.7
Maryland.....	2,797	34,193	329,626	2,606	31,174	261,440	68,186	26.1
District of Columbia.....	339	6,763	75,094	297	5,338	56,771	18,323	32.3
Virginia.....	6,461	60,063	598,379	5,965	50,229	430,452	167,927	39.0
West Virginia.....	4,050	24,624	337,682	3,486	27,577	125,105	125,105	58.9
North Carolina.....	8,930	69,599	739,215	7,293	53,132	437,261	251,954	51.7
South Carolina.....	5,413	49,851	452,047	5,020	35,054	328,829	123,218	37.5
Georgia.....	8,619	60,229	613,947	8,052	50,246	460,769	153,178	33.2
Florida.....	3,605	23,685	205,980	2,803	15,350	124,592	81,388	65.3
<b>EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Kentucky.....	5,704	44,800	476,566	4,723	33,833	314,667	161,899	51.5
Tennessee.....	6,884	51,131	523,681	6,101	40,875	355,550	168,131	47.3
Alabama.....	7,847	53,613	524,935	6,808	40,238	361,279	163,656	45.3
Mississippi.....	6,569	42,421	388,608	5,911	32,422	286,257	102,351	35.8
<b>WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Arkansas.....	5,302	38,238	342,947	4,398	27,979	230,238	112,709	49.0
Louisiana.....	3,399	21,698	221,326	3,320	17,963	177,739	43,587	24.6
Oklahoma.....	4,030	31,888	313,346	3,012	20,684	173,896	139,450	80.2
Texas.....	11,174	91,062	918,374	8,678	58,093	533,535	384,839	72.1
<b>MOUNTAIN:</b>								
Montana.....	1,013	6,579	59,788	477	3,298	33,891	25,897	76.4
Idaho.....	907	9,945	80,623	599	6,043	45,437	35,186	77.4
Wyoming.....	345	2,716	23,129	202	1,556	13,472	9,657	71.7
Colorado.....	1,304	14,181	139,406	1,099	10,446	96,919	42,487	43.8
New Mexico.....	715	3,855	45,122	364	1,716	20,050	25,072	125.0
Arizona.....	340	2,945	30,884	217	1,703	14,967	15,917	108.3
Utah.....	654	11,731	108,267	675	10,681	89,837	18,370	20.4
Nevada.....	109	782	7,150	84	560	4,641	2,509	54.1
<b>PACIFIC:</b>								
Washington.....	2,151	20,866	184,630	1,631	13,870	114,467	70,163	61.3
Oregon.....	1,423	13,786	120,162	1,090	9,545	75,119	45,043	60.0
California.....	3,446	38,305	383,303	2,689	25,447	242,672	139,631	57.3

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

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Of the geographic divisions, the South Atlantic reported for 1916 the largest number of schools, and the Middle Atlantic the largest number of scholars. Among the states, Pennsylvania reported for 1916 the largest number of Sunday schools (12,720), officers and teachers (195,158), and scholars (2,253,418). Other states that reported over 1,000,000 scholars were Ohio, 1,330,312; New York, 1,296,956; and Illinois, 1,083,048.

Only one state—Vermont—showed a decrease since 1906 in number of scholars, although, besides Vermont, seven states belonging to the Middle Atlantic and North Central divisions showed a decrease in the number of schools—New York, Ohio, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, and Nebraska. The states reporting the highest percentage of increase in number of scholars were New Mexico, 125 per cent; Arizona, 106.3 per cent; Oklahoma, 80.2 per cent; Idaho, 77.4 per cent; and Montana, 76.4 per cent. In general, increases and decreases coincide with the development of church extension or the consolidation for greater efficiency, noted elsewhere in connection with church organizations and membership, the greater extension being in the West and South and the greater consolidation being in the North and East.

## UNDENOMINATIONAL OR UNION SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Undenominational or union Sunday schools are organized mostly in pioneer or evangelistic extension work in communities removed from the reach of organized church work, either in rural districts or on

the outlying borders of large cities. Under the head of "undenominational schools" are grouped those schools independent of any denominational relations. Sometimes these schools are the result of local movements, but usually they are under the auspices of special societies, as the American Sunday School Union, or the International Sunday School Association, the former working chiefly in the Eastern states, the latter in the West but extending its work into Canada and the dependencies of the United States. Union Sunday schools are generally composed of representatives of different denominations, no one of which is strong enough in membership to establish an organization of its own. Both undenominational and union Sunday schools trend toward the establishment of churches, which often affiliate with one or another denomination according to circumstances, but sometimes become independent or union churches.

Through a system of county organization, the International Sunday School Association has been able throughout the country to keep in touch with Sunday schools that are not identified with local church organizations, and in 1916, as in 1906, this Association furnished to the Bureau of the Census for the report on religious bodies the most complete statistics for those schools that could be gathered.

The following table presents, for 1916 and 1906, the statistics for these schools, together with the increase or decrease in scholars during the decade, by states and geographic divisions:

TABLE 20.—UNDENOMINATIONAL OR UNION SUNDAY SCHOOLS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1916 AND 1906.

DIVISION AND STATE.	UNDENOMINATIONAL OR UNION SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
	1916			1906			Increase <sup>1</sup> in number of scholars: 1906-1916.	
	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
UNITED STATES.....	12,535	89,952	621,670	14,508	97,410	651,814	-30,144	-4.6
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS:								
New England.....	413	3,246	18,661	492	3,480	19,183	-522	-2.7
Middle Atlantic.....	1,671	17,220	125,516	1,822	18,196	116,361	9,155	7.9
East North Central.....	1,755	14,084	92,321	2,392	17,842	122,852	-30,531	-24.0
West North Central.....	2,741	19,209	123,940	3,808	23,765	152,918	-28,978	-19.0
South Atlantic.....	1,593	9,814	74,535	1,651	9,900	69,313	5,222	7.5
East South Central.....	1,157	6,911	55,243	1,196	6,721	51,848	3,395	6.5
West South Central.....	1,645	9,960	70,465	1,995	19,864	77,063	-7,498	-9.6
Mountain.....	748	4,518	28,718	587	3,308	21,078	7,640	35.2
Pacific.....	812	4,990	32,271	565	3,334	20,298	11,973	59.0
NEW ENGLAND:								
Maine.....	127	887	4,496	207	1,391	6,156	-1,660	-27.0
New Hampshire.....	41	274	2,059	72	282	1,876	183	9.8
Vermont.....	65	485	1,877	30	229	1,247	530	39.3
Massachusetts.....	84	764	4,738	112	952	6,085	-1,349	-22.2
Rhode Island.....	16	160	895	15	143	890	5	0.6
Connecticut.....	80	676	4,598	86	483	2,829	1,769	62.5
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:								
New York.....	328	3,150	24,448	394	3,520	26,249	-1,801	-6.9
New Jersey.....	201	1,574	14,679	219	1,889	11,926	2,753	23.1
Pennsylvania.....	1,142	12,196	86,389	1,209	12,787	78,186	8,203	10.5
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:								
Ohio.....	342	2,834	19,453	457	3,630	28,065	-8,612	-30.7
Indiana.....	268	2,179	13,580	243	2,699	15,265	-1,685	-11.0
Illinois.....	377	3,362	27,730	540	4,405	31,203	-3,473	-11.1
Michigan.....	550	3,681	22,944	707	5,472	37,823	-14,879	-39.8
Wisconsin.....	218	1,428	8,614	345	1,636	10,496	-1,882	-17.9

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

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TABLE 20.—UNDENOMINATIONAL OR UNION SUNDAY SCHOOLS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1916 AND 1906—Contd.

DIVISION AND STATE.	UNDENOMINATIONAL OR UNION SUNDAY SCHOOLS.							
	1916			1906			Increase <sup>1</sup> in number of scholars: 1906-1916.	
	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
<b>WEST NORTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Minnesota.....	526	2,630	16,873	523	2,780	18,176	-1,303	-7.2
Iowa.....	287	2,124	12,831	530	3,233	21,003	-8,142	-38.8
Missouri.....	679	5,547	37,951	082	4,480	32,852	5,099	15.5
North Dakota.....	116	703	4,084	105	1,570	2,665	419	11.4
South Dakota.....	100	723	3,811	302	1,541	9,209	-5,398	-58.6
Nebraska.....	344	2,548	14,529	531	3,470	18,484	-3,955	-21.4
Kansas.....	689	4,934	33,831	1,135	7,661	49,529	-15,698	-31.7
<b>SOUTH ATLANTIC:</b>								
Delaware.....	9	44	436	7	51	387	49	12.7
Maryland.....	49	578	3,998	66	834	5,031	-1,033	-20.5
District of Columbia.....				5	54	779	-779	
Virginia.....	464	2,740	19,604	556	2,978	21,215	-1,611	-7.6
West Virginia.....	271	2,009	15,070	213	1,460	11,200	3,870	34.8
North Carolina.....	258	1,322	11,863	218	1,113	8,142	3,721	45.7
South Carolina.....	94	675	6,383	79	615	5,243	1,140	21.7
Georgia.....	380	2,069	14,509	404	2,232	14,011	498	3.6
Florida.....	68	377	2,672	103	533	3,305	-633	-19.2
<b>EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Kentucky.....	397	2,514	24,446	552	3,408	29,324	-4,878	-16.6
Tennessee.....	378	2,034	13,520	393	1,892	13,667	-141	-1.0
Alabama.....	234	1,465	10,338	109	666	5,589	5,749	125.3
Mississippi.....	148	898	6,933	142	755	4,268	2,665	62.4
<b>WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:</b>								
Arkansas.....	276	1,612	12,981	444	2,358	18,293	-5,312	-29.0
Louisiana.....	152	820	7,046	173	718	6,671	375	5.6
Oklahoma.....	513	3,559	26,073	672	3,815	28,051	-1,978	-7.1
Texas.....	704	3,969	24,365	706	3,973	24,948	-583	-2.3
<b>MOUNTAIN:</b>								
Montana.....	45	250	1,894	31	156	1,335	559	41.9
Idaho.....	104	689	4,158	64	347	2,391	1,767	73.9
Wyoming.....	60	272	1,523	88	413	2,448	-915	-37.4
Colorado.....	301	1,774	11,585	308	1,905	11,817	-232	-2.0
New Mexico.....	132	1,000	5,612	45	208	1,207	4,405	365.0
Arizona.....	72	381	2,717	20	138	715	2,002	280.0
Utah.....	13	82	618	24	102	721	-103	-14.3
Nevada.....	21	120	801	7	39	444	157	35.4
<b>PACIFIC:</b>								
Washington.....	325	2,224	13,732	179	1,194	7,311	6,421	87.8
Oregon.....	227	1,033	8,491	187	1,103	6,347	2,144	33.8
California.....	280	1,733	10,048	199	1,032	6,640	3,408	51.3

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

The total number of schools of this class reported for 1916 was 12,535; the number of officers and teachers, 89,952; and the number of scholars, 621,670. These figures, when compared with 1906, show a loss in each item. An examination of the table shows that the loss in number of scholars extended over half the states (24 out of 48) and the District of Columbia, and the loss in number of schools, which is probably more significant, extended over 29 states and the District of Columbia.

Considered geographically, the greatest losses occurred in the East North Central division, where every state lost both in number of schools and of scholars; in the West North Central division, where this was true in all but two states; and in the West South Central division, where every state lost in number of schools, and all but Louisiana in the number of scholars. These three divisions, with New England, showed a loss in number of schools and scholars, and three other geographic divisions showed a loss in number of schools, the Mountain and Pacific divisions being the only two that showed an increase in both schools and scholars.

Although the principal increases are shown in the western sections of the country, it is to be noted that

Pennsylvania, in spite of a decrease in the number of schools, showed an increase of over 8,000 in number of scholars—the highest numerical increase in any state—due, no doubt, largely to the work of the American Sunday School Union in the rural and mining districts. High percentages of increase in number of scholars are shown in New Mexico and Arizona—365 and 280, respectively—and in Alabama—125.3.

In general, it appears from the table that, as sections of the country are more thoroughly reached by the denominational agencies and the need of pioneer work is less manifest, the number and strength of the undenominational and union schools lessen, but it does not follow that the Sunday school work itself grows weaker. This is shown by the review of the general Sunday school extension, including both classes of schools, which follows.

## ALL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The following table gives, for 1916 and 1906, statistics for all Sunday schools, including both the denominational and undenominational or union schools, by geographic divisions and states:

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TABLE 21.—ALL SUNDAY SCHOOLS, BY DIVISIONS AND STATES: 1916 AND 1906.

DIVISION AND STATE.	ALL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.						Increase in number of scholars: 1906-1916.	
	1916			1906				
	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
UNITED STATES.....	207,294	2,042,583	20,557,560	192,722	1,746,074	15,837,811	5,219,749	34.0
GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS:								
New England.....	8,355	114,319	1,123,780	8,407	112,304	1,005,036	118,744	11.8
Middle Atlantic.....	26,049	377,853	4,177,648	25,675	357,006	3,413,070	764,576	22.4
East North Central.....	33,820	400,132	4,120,620	34,536	363,536	3,097,565	1,023,055	33.0
West North Central.....	20,144	275,693	2,573,795	30,369	248,455	1,983,340	590,455	29.8
South Atlantic.....	42,248	347,666	3,482,785	37,414	283,604	2,481,930	1,000,855	40.3
East South Central.....	28,245	198,875	1,969,033	24,739	154,089	1,369,601	690,432	43.8
West South Central.....	25,550	192,846	1,886,458	21,403	135,583	1,193,371	673,087	56.4
Mountain.....	6,135	57,252	523,077	4,204	39,301	340,342	182,735	53.7
Pacific.....	7,832	77,947	720,366	5,975	52,196	453,556	266,810	58.8
NEW ENGLAND:								
Maine.....	1,606	15,768	134,929	1,657	14,811	113,596	21,333	18.8
New Hampshire.....	837	8,546	79,652	835	8,097	69,741	12,911	19.3
Vermont.....	847	7,972	62,986	902	8,429	62,624	362	0.6
Massachusetts.....	3,099	53,811	559,972	3,111	52,834	497,782	62,190	12.5
Rhode Island.....	516	8,673	91,288	506	8,330	81,791	9,497	11.6
Connecticut.....	1,450	19,549	194,953	1,396	19,803	182,502	12,451	6.8
MIDDLE ATLANTIC:								
New York.....	8,944	121,623	1,321,404	9,189	126,839	1,273,300	48,104	3.8
New Jersey.....	3,243	48,876	516,435	3,004	44,502	410,021	100,414	24.1
Pennsylvania.....	13,862	207,354	2,339,807	13,482	186,665	1,723,749	616,058	35.7
EAST NORTH CENTRAL:								
Ohio.....	9,312	125,987	1,349,765	9,683	114,752	967,534	382,231	39.5
Indiana.....	6,247	75,812	749,547	6,222	65,741	532,074	217,473	40.9
Illinois.....	8,648	107,819	1,110,778	8,713	97,318	856,526	234,252	29.7
Michigan.....	5,501	57,809	577,951	5,537	55,319	452,244	125,707	27.8
Wisconsin.....	4,112	32,705	332,579	4,381	30,406	289,187	43,392	13.0
WEST NORTH CENTRAL:								
Minnesota.....	4,402	35,353	345,756	4,498	32,301	291,399	54,357	18.7
Iowa.....	5,431	58,129	553,035	5,105	57,279	434,551	118,484	27.3
Missouri.....	7,507	73,440	702,518	7,599	64,158	537,622	164,896	30.7
North Dakota.....	2,032	11,994	106,495	1,616	7,977	64,864	41,631	64.2
South Dakota.....	1,756	11,283	102,636	1,765	10,128	80,763	21,873	27.1
Nebraska.....	3,083	30,427	268,294	3,376	27,712	210,927	57,367	27.2
Kansas.....	4,983	55,067	495,061	5,410	48,900	363,214	131,847	30.3
SOUTH ATLANTIC:								
Delaware.....	451	5,889	56,716	448	5,655	50,313	6,403	12.7
Maryland.....	2,846	34,771	333,624	2,672	32,038	286,471	67,153	25.2
District of Columbia.....	338	6,783	75,094	302	5,392	57,550	17,544	30.5
Virginia.....	6,925	82,823	617,983	6,521	53,207	451,667	166,316	36.8
West Virginia.....	4,321	36,633	352,752	3,899	29,037	223,777	128,975	57.6
North Carolina.....	9,188	70,921	751,078	7,511	54,245	495,408	255,675	51.6
South Carolina.....	5,507	43,526	458,430	5,099	35,069	334,072	124,358	37.2
Georgia.....	8,999	62,298	628,456	8,456	52,478	474,780	153,676	32.4
Florida.....	3,673	24,062	208,652	2,706	15,883	127,897	80,755	63.1
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL:								
Kentucky.....	6,101	47,814	501,012	5,275	37,241	343,991	157,021	45.6
Tennessee.....	7,262	53,165	537,207	6,494	42,767	369,217	167,990	45.5
Alabama.....	8,081	55,077	535,273	6,617	40,904	365,868	169,405	46.9
Mississippi.....	6,717	43,319	395,541	6,053	33,177	290,525	105,016	36.1
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL:								
Arkansas.....	5,578	39,850	355,928	4,842	30,337	248,531	107,397	43.2
Louisiana.....	3,551	22,518	228,372	3,493	18,681	184,410	43,962	23.8
Oklahoma.....	4,543	35,447	339,419	3,684	24,499	201,947	137,472	68.1
Oklahoma.....	6,717	43,319	395,541	6,053	33,177	290,525	105,016	36.1
Texas.....	5,578	39,850	355,928	4,842	30,337	248,531	107,397	43.2
MOUNTAIN:								
Montana.....	3,551	22,518	228,372	3,493	18,681	184,410	43,962	23.8
Idaho.....	4,543	35,447	339,419	3,684	24,499	201,947	137,472	68.1
Wyoming.....	11,878	95,031	942,739	9,384	62,066	558,453	384,256	68.8
Colorado.....	1,058	8,829	61,682	508	3,454	35,226	26,456	75.1
New Mexico.....	1,011	10,634	84,781	663	6,390	47,828	36,953	77.3
Arizona.....	405	2,988	24,662	290	1,969	15,920	8,742	54.9
Utah.....	1,605	15,955	150,901	1,407	12,351	108,736	42,255	38.9
Nevada.....	847	4,855	50,784	409	1,924	21,257	29,477	138.7
PACIFIC:								
Washington.....	412	3,276	33,601	237	1,841	15,682	17,919	114.3
Oregon.....	667	11,813	108,875	599	10,783	90,908	18,267	20.2
California.....	130	902	7,751	91	589	5,085	2,666	52.4
UNITED STATES.....	2,478	23,090	198,362	1,810	15,064	121,778	76,584	62.9
	1,650	14,819	123,053	1,277	10,653	81,466	47,187	57.9
	3,706	40,038	393,351	2,888	26,479	250,312	143,039	57.1

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34 per cent, in number of scholars. Each geographic division and each state showed an increase in the number of scholars, though three divisions—the New England and the East and West North Central—and a number of states showed a decrease in the number of schools reported. It appears that any loss in the number of scholars in one class is made up by an

increase in the other. Thus, the East North Central division, which showed a loss of 30,531 in number of scholars in the undenominational or union Sunday schools, had a gain of 1,053,586 in the denominational schools, making a net gain of 1,023,055 for all Sunday schools. Vermont, the only state that showed a loss (168) in number of scholars in the denominational Sunday schools, reported a gain (530) in the number in undenominational schools; while all states that reported a decrease in number of scholars in the undenominational and union schools reported a gain in the denominational schools.

The opposite table shows, for 1916 and 1906, the per cent of all Sunday schools, and of each class of Sunday schools comprised within each geographic division, and, also, the per cent of all Sunday schools in each geographic division represented by denominational and undenominational schools.

This table shows that the proportion of the total number of Sunday schools was less in most of the eastern divisions in 1916 than in 1906, but was greater in the South and West, following closely the development of church organizations in the more settled sections and in those where pioneer work is still being carried on. Thus, the proportion of all Sunday schools in New England fell from 4.4 in 1906 to 4 in 1916, and in the Middle Atlantic division from 13.3 to 12.6; while in the South Atlantic division it rose from 19.4 to 20.4, in the Mountain division from 2.2 to 3, and in the Pacific division from 3.1 to 3.8. This was also true in general of the denominational Sunday schools,

but in regard to the undenominational or union schools the trend was still more marked, showing a decided decrease in the New England and East and West North Central divisions, and an increase in the South Atlantic, Mountain, and Pacific divisions. In the Middle Atlantic division, the increase in the proportion of undenominational and union schools may be explained by the extension work carried on in Pennsylvania by the American Sunday School Union of Philadelphia.

DIVISION.	PER CENT DISTRIBUTION BY GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS.						PER CENT OF ALL SUNDAY SCHOOLS.			
	All Sunday schools.		Denominational Sunday schools.		Undenominational Sunday schools.		Denominational Sunday schools.		Undenominational Sunday schools.	
	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906
United States.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	94.0	92.5	6.0	7.5
New England.....	4.0	4.4	4.1	4.4	3.3	3.4	95.1	94.1	4.9	5.9
Middle Atlantic.....	12.6	13.3	12.5	13.4	13.3	12.5	93.6	92.9	6.4	7.1
East North Central.....	16.3	17.9	16.5	18.0	14.0	16.5	94.8	93.1	5.2	6.9
West North Central.....	14.1	15.8	13.6	14.9	21.9	25.2	90.6	87.5	9.4	12.5
South Atlantic.....	20.4	19.4	20.9	20.1	12.7	11.4	96.2	95.6	3.8	4.4
East South Central.....	13.6	12.8	13.9	13.2	9.2	8.2	95.9	95.2	4.1	4.8
West South Central.....	12.3	11.1	12.3	10.9	13.1	13.8	93.6	90.7	6.4	9.3
Mountain.....	3.0	2.2	2.8	2.0	6.0	4.0	87.8	85.0	12.2	14.0
Pacific.....	3.8	3.1	3.6	3.0	6.5	3.9	89.6	90.5	10.4	9.5

In general, the Sunday schools of the United States in this development appear to follow the same general lines as the organized churches, and to be emphasizing effectiveness rather than extension, any decrease in either class indicating a change of relations rather than a lessening of activities.

## MINISTERS.

The statistics of ministers, as given in this report, cover not only a statement of the total number of ministers connected with each denomination, derived from denominational sources, but also a classification of ministers according to their relation to church work and a statement of the salaries received by them for strictly church work, derived from individual returns.

## NUMBER OF MINISTERS.

The number of ministers reported as on the rolls of the various denominations was obtained from denominational yearbooks and minutes, from lists furnished by denominational officials, or by special agents commissioned by the Bureau of the Census, and from persons acquainted with the conditions in bodies which publish no yearbooks or are loosely organized. The total number of ministers thus reported in 1916 is compared with similar figures for 1906 and 1890 in Table 23. In this table each denomination is credited with the number of ministers claimed by itself, irrespective of any difference in the interpretation of the term "minister." In general, those persons are included who are duly authorized to administer the sacraments and to perform all the usual

functions of the ministry, whether or not in actual service as pastors of churches; or those who are regularly set apart or are duly authorized to perform the functions of leadership in religious services or in church life. In most Christian bodies the number is limited, as in 1906, to those fully ordained, but in a few bodies licentiates, or elders, evidently performing full ministerial functions, were accepted. In many cases the number includes evangelists, not identified with any local church; in Jewish congregations it frequently, though apparently not always, includes cantors and readers as well as rabbis; in the Society for Ethical Culture it includes those selected as leaders and authorized to perform the marriage ceremony; in the Salvation Army, Volunteers of America, and American Rescue Workers, it includes all commissioned officers, irrespective of the particular service to which they are detailed. The Churches of Christ have elders but refuse to recognize the title "Minister" or to use the prefix "Reverend." No ministers at all were reported for the following 16 bodies: Bahais, Christadelphians, Communistic societies (2 bodies), Hicksite Friends, Primitive Friends, Plymouth Brethren (6 bodies), and Theosophical societies (4 bodies).

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TABLE 23.—NUMBER OF MINISTERS REPORTED, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

DENOMINATION.	NUMBER OF MINISTERS REPORTED.			DENOMINATION.	NUMBER OF MINISTERS REPORTED.		
	1916	1906	1890		1916	1906	1890
Total, denominations represented.....	191,796	164,830	111,036	Latter Day Saints:			
Adventist bodies:				Church of Jesus Christ.....	4,790	824	543
Advent Christian.....	770	528	883	Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	1,200	950	1,506
Seventh-day Adventist.....	582	488	284	Lithuanian National Catholic Church.....	3		
Church of God (Adventist).....	43	20	10	Lutheran bodies:			
Life and Advent Union.....	15	40	50	General Synod.....	1,514	1,811	966
Churches of God in Christ Jesus.....	50	56	94	United Synod, South.....	259	228	201
American Rescue Workers <sup>1</sup> .....	30	59		General Council.....	1,664	1,893	1,153
Armenian Church.....	17	12	7	Synodical Conference <sup>1</sup> .....	2,918	2,407	1,282
Assemblies of God, General Council.....	600			Norwegian Lutheran Church—			
Baptist bodies:				Hauge's Synod.....	129	122	58
Baptists—				Synod for Norwegian Church.....	447	359	194
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,631	7,260	6,685	United Norwegian Church.....	523	453	109
Southern Baptist Convention.....	15,944	13,316	8,957	Joint Synod of Ohio.....	507	547	297
National Baptist Convention.....	19,423	17,117	5,468	Synod of Buffalo.....	38	27	20
General Six Principle Baptists.....	9	8	14	Eielsen's Synod.....	6	6	
Seventh Day Baptists.....	75	90	115	Synod of Iowa.....	588	483	( <sup>6</sup> )
Free Baptists.....	178	1,160	1,493	Danish Lutheran Church.....	71	58	108
Free Will Baptists.....	873	600	118	Icelandic Synod.....	5	10	1
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	294	138		Immanuel Synod.....	23	17	21
Free Will Baptists (Burlockites).....	3	4		Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	32	24	8
General Baptists.....	589	525	332	Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	169	140	
Separate Baptists.....	47	100	19	United Danish Lutheran Church.....	142	99	740
Regular Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	494			Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	21	18	
United Baptists.....	411	260	25	Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish).....	36	78	
Duck River (Baptist Church of Christ).....	110	99	80	Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	10	7	
Primitive Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	1,292	1,500	2,040	Jehovah Conference.....	6	0	
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	600	1,480		Mennonite bodies:			
Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Baptists.....	35	35	300	Mennonite Church <sup>1</sup> .....	509	477	564
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):				Hutterian Brethren <sup>1</sup> .....	32	9	9
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>1</sup> .....	3,054	1,784	1,622	Conservative Amish.....	30		
Old Order German Baptist.....	215	195	237	Old Order Amish <sup>1</sup> .....	253	141	71
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	351	269	224	Church of God in Christ.....	17	17	18
German Seventh Day Baptists.....	7	7	5	Old Order Mennonite (Wisler) <sup>1</sup> .....	32	18	17
Church of God (New Dunkers).....	9	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )	Reformed Mennonite.....	26	34	43
Brethren, River:				General Conference of Mennonites.....	194	143	97
Brethren in Christ.....	203	170	128	Defenseless Mennonites.....	24	23	18
Old Order or Yorker.....	25	24	7	Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	95	70	34
United Zion's Children.....	20	22	20	Mennonite Brethren Church <sup>1</sup> .....	81	19	
Buddhists:				Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde.....	34	17	37
Japanese temples.....	34	14		Kleine Gemeinde.....	7		
Catholic Apostolic Church.....	13	14	85	Central Conference of Mennonites <sup>1</sup> .....	33	18	
Christian and Missionary Alliance <sup>1</sup> .....	114	10		Conference of Defenseless Mennonites <sup>1</sup> .....	22	17	
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>1</sup> .....	1,213	1,011	1,435	Stauffer Mennonites.....	9		
Christian Union.....	211	295	183	Methodist bodies:			
Church of God and Saints of Christ.....	101	75		Methodist Episcopal.....	18,642	17,479	15,422
Church of Messianic Message.....	4			Methodist Protestant.....	1,840	1,852	1,441
Churches of Christ.....	2,507	2,100		Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	436	553	600
Churches of God, General Assembly.....	477			Primitive Methodist.....	74	80	60
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	427	482	522	Methodist Episcopal, South.....	7,498	5,811	4,801
Churches of the Living God:				Congregational Methodist.....	250	324	150
Church of the Living God.....	30			Free Methodist.....	1,397	1,270	657
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>1</sup> .....	300	71		New Congregational Methodist.....	27	50	20
Church of the Living God, General Assembly <sup>1</sup> .....	14	30		African Methodist Episcopal.....	8,175	6,200	3,321
Churches of the New Jerusalem:				African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	3,992	3,082	1,535
General Convention.....	87	108		Colored Methodist Protestant.....	33	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
General Church.....	35	22	119	Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	205	64	35
Congregational Churches.....	6,040	5,802	5,058	African Union Methodist Protestant.....	260	187	46
Disciples of Christ <sup>1</sup> .....	5,938	6,641	3,773	Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	3,402	2,071	1,800
Eastern Orthodox Churches:				Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	45	33	36
Albanian Church.....	3			African American Methodist Episcopal.....	35	( <sup>2</sup> )	( <sup>2</sup> )
Bulgarian Church.....	4			Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal.....	25	72	
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	125	35	1	Moravian bodies:			
Rumanian Church.....	2			Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	138	125	114
Russian Church.....	164	55	13	Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	44	3	
Serbian Church.....	23	9		Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	3		
Syrian Church.....	30			New Apostolic Church.....	20	19	( <sup>3</sup> )
Evangelical Association.....	1,051	942	1,235	Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith.....	26	50	
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>1</sup> .....	34	59	44	Old Catholic Churches in America:			
Evangelistic associations:				Old Roman Catholic.....	12		1
Apostolic Church.....	5			American Catholic.....	7		
Apostolic Christian Church.....	50	19		Catholic Church of North America.....	12		
Apostolic Faith.....	29	( <sup>2</sup> )		Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	897	170	
Christian Congregation.....	32	26		Pentecostal Holiness Church.....	282		
Church of Daniel's Band.....	19	15		Polish National Catholic Church <sup>1</sup> .....	45	24	
Church of God as Organized by Christ.....	14			Presbyterian bodies:			
Church Transcendent.....	2			Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,299	7,603	45,934
Hephzibah Faith Missionary Association.....	38	36		Cumberland Presbyterian.....	728	1,514	1,861
Lumber River Mission.....	4	5		Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	430	375	393
Metropolitan Church Association.....	122	29		Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	67	87	100
Missionary Church Association.....	50	35		United Presbyterian.....	995	994	731
Peace Missions.....	33	30		Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	1,820	1,606	1,129
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	40	50		Associate Synod of North America.....	7	12	
Pillar of Fire <sup>1</sup> .....	14	35		Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>1</sup> .....	109	111	133
Voluntary Missionary Society.....	11	11		Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	135	128	124
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	29	20		Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>1</sup> .....	15	26	29
Friends:				Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,544	5,368	4,146
Friends (Orthodox).....	1,232	1,325	1,113	Reformed bodies:			
Friends (Wilburite).....	50	47	38	Reformed Church in America.....	756	710	558
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,078	972	680	Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,242	1,180	880
Holiness Church.....	28			Christian Reformed Church.....	185	131	68
Independent churches.....	54	( <sup>2</sup> )	54	Hungarian Reformed Church.....	30	18	
International Apostolic Holiness Church <sup>1</sup> .....	259	178		Reformed Episcopal Church.....	88	84	78
Jacobsite Church (Assyrian).....	1			Roman Catholic Church.....	20,287	15,177	10,166
Jewish congregations.....	721	1,084	200	Salvation Army.....	2,848	3,030	

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>2</sup> Not reported.<sup>3</sup> Figures for Catholic Apostolic Church for 1890 include figures for New Apostolic Church, not reported separately.<sup>4</sup> Includes figures for Alaska, not reported separately.<sup>5</sup> Includes figures for the United Evangelical Church, not reported separately.<sup>6</sup> Figures for Lutheran—General Council for 1890 include figures for Synod of Iowa, not reported separately.<sup>7</sup> Figures are for the Danish Church Association.



TABLE 23.—NUMBER OF MINISTERS REPORTED, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	NUMBER OF MINISTERS REPORTED.			DENOMINATION.	NUMBER OF MINISTERS REPORTED.		
	1916	1906	1890		1916	1906	1890
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>1</sup>				Temple Society in the United States.....	2	3	4
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	342	347	.....	Unitarians.....	531	541	515
Swedish Free Church <sup>1</sup> .....	96	148	.....	United Brethren bodies:			
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....	68	.....	.....	United Brethren in Christ.....	1,912	1,935	2,267
Schwenkfelders.....	4	5	3	United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	407	500	531
Social Brethren.....	10	15	17	United Evangelical Church.....	610	553	(*)
Society for Ethical Culture.....	5	(*)	(*)	Universalists.....	561	724	708
Spiritualists:				Vedanta Society.....	3	(*)	(*)
Spiritualists (National Association).....	500	.....	.....	Volunteers of America.....	307	302	.....
Progressive Spiritual Church.....	20	185	.....	All other denominations.....	.....	1,553	399

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>2</sup> No regular ministry.

<sup>3</sup> Not reported separately; included with figures for the Evangelical Association.

<sup>4</sup> Not reported.

In using the figures contained in this table, it is to be remembered that in many cases the numbers given are estimates. There is some divergence, as already noted, as to the persons to be included, and reports for successive periods are not infrequently made up on different bases. The figures, therefore, must not be taken as strictly accurate, though they may be regarded as sufficiently comparable for general purposes. The decrease in the number reported for the Disciples of Christ is due chiefly to more careful reporting and to a clearer distinction drawn between that body and two others with which it is frequently confused—the Christian Church (American Christian Convention) and the Churches of Christ. In the Cumberland Presbyterian Church the decrease is explained by the union of a large portion of that body with the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America; in the two Primitive Baptist bodies there has been considerable disintegration and loss both of ministers and churches; in the Methodist Protestant Church, the Salvation Army, and the Jewish congregations, there appears to have been a change in method of reporting, the number in 1916 being on a more restricted basis. In the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, on the other hand, the figures for 1916 are so much larger than those for 1906 that they appear to be on a broader basis than those for previous reports. The Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene included in its ministerial list a large number of evangelists.

Among the separate denominations, the Roman Catholic Church showed the largest number of ministers, 20,287, the National Baptist Convention (Negro), the next largest, 19,423, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, 18,642. The Southern Baptist Convention reported 15,946 ministers and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 9,299.

#### CLASSIFICATION OF MINISTERS.

The statistics showing the classification of ministers, and their salaries, were derived from schedules received from individual ministers. These schedules were sent to every minister whose name and address could be

secured, and, in addition to the name and denominational connection of the minister, called for the following items: Location, including post office address; name and location of church or churches at that time being served by him; his ecclesiastical status, whether pastor, associate or assistant pastor, supply, emeritus, retired, etc.; the total salary received during the past year for church service; if in other than pastoral or preaching service, his present occupation and position; date of ordination; date of entrance on present pastorate; age at last birthday; whether graduate of college or theological school.

The number of schedules received from ministers in response to the inquiries sent out fell very far short of the number of ministers reported as on the rolls of the denominations. For this there were several reasons. Some of the denominations failed to give the addresses of all ministers included on their rolls. This was especially true of such denominations as the National Baptist Convention, several of the Evangelistic associations, the Negro Methodist bodies, the National Spiritualists' Association, and others. In such cases the bureau was unable to communicate with some of the ministers. Even in denominations where the lists were regarded as complete, as the Congregational, Methodist, Presbyterian, Protestant Episcopal, Roman Catholic, and others, changes were constantly taking place, by death or removal, so that the schedules failed to reach the ministers. In other cases the minister's schedule was confused with the church schedule, and in a certain percentage of cases through sickness, forgetfulness, or other cause, no reply was made.

Of the 191,796 ministers reported as on the rolls, schedules were received from 100,793, or 52.6 per cent. A review of the returns from the different classes of denominations shows that of the ministers reported for the larger bodies, about 70 per cent sent schedules, although for two—the Southern Baptist Convention and the Disciples of Christ—only about 30 per cent reported. Of the Negro Baptist ministers only 6.5 per cent reported, and of the Negro Methodists about 26 per cent.



In classifying the returns so as to show the relation of ministers to the different departments of church work, it appeared that of 100,793 schedules received, 95,702 gave fairly complete detail and were thus available for tabulation, while 5,091 furnished little more than the name and denomination of the minister, and, therefore, could not be included in the presentation.

Table 24 shows for each denomination represented the number of ministers from whom schedules were received available for tabulation, and the classifica-

tion of such ministers according to their relation to church work, which may be described as follows: First, ministers who as pastors give their full time to the work of the church and depend for their full support upon the salary received; second, ministers who are pastors of churches but report some supplementary occupation; third, ministers of various grades, as supplies, evangelists, assistants, etc.; and fourth, those engaged in some other form of church work not distinctively identified with the pastoral office, and whose salaries are provided in different ways.

TABLE 24.—CLASSIFICATION OF MINISTERS IN CHURCH WORK, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

DENOMINATION.	Number of ministers reporting.	MINISTERS IN 1916, CLASSIFIED AS—										
		In pastoral work.					Not in pastoral work.					
		Total in pastoral work.	Pastoral work only.		Pastors with other occupations.	Sup- plies, as- sistants, etc.	Total not in pastoral work.	De- nomi- na- tional work.	Educa- tional or ed- itorial work.	Evan- gelistic or philan- thropic work.	Re- tired.	Other occupations.
			Number.	Per cent of total reporting.								
Total.....	95,702	80,435	64,899	67.8	6,735	8,801	15,267	1,862	3,000	2,165	6,702	1,538
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	374	287	147	39.3	50	90	87	4	4	11	35	33
Seventh-day Adventist.....	477	363	232	48.6	70	61	114	31		29	47	7
Church of God (Adventist).....	19	14			14		5				2	3
Life and Advent Union.....	8	8	6	75.0	2							
Churches of God in Christ Jesus.....	24	20	5	20.8	13	2	4				2	2
American Rescue Workers.....	28	25	13	46.4	12		3			3		
Armenian Church.....	14	14	14	100.0								
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	5,684	4,690	4,132	72.7	321	237	994	75	121	144	503	151
Southern Baptist Convention.....	5,143	4,201	2,434	47.3	1,496	271	942	24	50	170	385	813
National Baptist Convention.....	1,264	1,264	1,264	100.0								
General Six Principle Baptists.....	4	4	4	100.0								
Seventh Day Baptists.....	45	35	23	51.1	10	2	10		2		8	
Free Baptists.....	176	168	117	66.5	23	28	8	2		2	4	
Free Will Baptists.....	582	444	36	6.2	345	63	138			46	42	50
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	87	72	24	27.6	36	12	15			8	2	5
Free Will Baptists (Bullockites).....	3	3				3						
General Baptists.....	352	242	50	14.2	146	46	110	1		10	40	53
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	2,060	1,821	150	7.3	709	962	239	7	35	17	142	38
Old Order German Baptist.....	36	36			35	1						
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	183	134	80	43.7	38	16	49		5	5	28	11
German Seventh Day Baptists.....	4	4			3	1						
Church of God (New Dunkers).....	5	5	2	40.0	3							
Brethren, River:												
Brethren in Christ.....	128	122			56	66	6				5	1
Old Order or Yorker.....	7	7			7							
United Zion's Children.....	20	20			17	3						
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....	112	112	99	88.4	6	7						
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	623	482	295	47.4	133	54	141	3	8	29	72	29
Christian Union.....	173	105	42	24.3	40	23	68	1		11	27	20
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	187	171	128	68.4	40	3	16	1	3	2	8	2
Churches of the New Jerusalem:												
General Convention.....	67	49	39	58.2	6	4	18			3	8	12
Congregational Churches.....	4,665	3,427	3,160	67.7	83	184	1,238	121	197	135	612	173
Disciples of Christ.....	1,891	1,668	1,290	68.2	236	142	223	8	29	63	78	45
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Albanian Church.....	2	2	2	100.0								
Bulgarian Church.....	4	4	4	100.0								
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	103	103	99	96.1	3	1						
Russian Church.....	160	152	150	93.8	2		8	8				
Serbian Church.....	12	12	12	100.0								
Evangelical Association.....	1,040	848	789	75.9	24	35	192	36	15	24	107	10
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	33	30	30	90.9			3		1		2	
Evangelistic associations:												
Apostolic Faith.....	26	5	5	19.2			21					
Christian Congregation.....	3	3	1	33.3	2					21		
Hephzibah Faith Missionary.....	14	6	6	42.0			8					
Lumber River Mission.....	3	3	1	33.3	2					8		
Missionary Church.....	59	30	30	50.8			20					
Peniel Mission.....	10	3	3	30.0			7			29	7	
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	22	20	20	90.9			2			2		
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	8	8	8	100.0								
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	818	573	282	34.5	172	119	245	18	33	36	105	53
Friends (Wilburite).....	43	43			43							
German Evangelical Synod.....	913	821	792	86.7	13	16	92	9	13		62	8
Independent churches.....	23	23	23	100.0								
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	105	86	59	56.2	19	8	19	5	1	8	2	3
Jacobite Church (Assyrian).....	1	1	1	100.0								
Jewish congregations.....	721	721	721	100.0								
Lithuanian National Catholic Church.....	3	3	2	66.7		1						
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	1,232	1,048	1,000	81.2	11	37	184	21	34	6	103	20
United Synod, South.....	189	165	155	82.0	4	6	24		10		12	2
General Council.....	1,327	1,203	1,162	87.6	12	29	124	30	35	5	45	9
Synodical Conference.....	2,466	2,399	2,384	94.6	25	40	67	10	17		38	2

TABLE 24.—CLASSIFICATION OF MINISTERS IN CHURCH WORK, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	Number of ministers reporting.	MINISTERS IN 1916, CLASSIFIED AS—									
		In pastoral work.					Not in pastoral work.				
		Pastoral work only.		Pastors with other occupations.	Supplies, assistants, etc.	Total not in pastoral work.	Denominational work.	Educational or editorial work.	Evangelistic or philanthropic work.	Retired.	Other occupations.
		Total in pastoral work.	Per cent of total reporting.								
		Number.									
Lutheran bodies—Continued.											
Norwegian Lutheran Church—											
Hauge's Synod.....	120	123	113	87.6	9	1	6		1	3	2
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	303	354	349	96.1	5		9	2	1	6	
United Norwegian Church.....	499	449	433	86.8	14	2	50	7	5	25	2
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	514	478	469	91.2	7	2	36	4	13	16	
Synod of Buffalo.....	23	23	21	91.3	2						
Kielsen's Synod.....	4	2	1	25.0	1		2				2
Synod of Iowa.....	521	485	484	92.9		1	36	1	10	21	4
Danish Lutheran Church.....	52	48	43	82.7	5		4		1	2	1
Icelandic Synod.....	1	1	1	100.0							
Immanuel Synod.....	11	7	6	54.5	1		4			2	
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	25	25	25	100.0							
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	153	136	125	81.7	10	1	17		9	4	3
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	96	87	82	85.4	4	1	9		2	7	
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	5	4	2	40.0			1		1		
Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish).....	33	33			28	5	1				
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	10	10	8	80.0		2					
Jehovah Conference.....	5	5	5	100.0							
Mennonite bodies:											
General Conference of Mennonites.....	130	115	34	26.2	52	29	15	5	2	5	3
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	78	71	43	55.1	18	10	7	4		3	
Methodist bodies:											
Methodist Episcopal.....	12,843	10,193	9,611	74.8	245	337	2,650	383	234	213	1,774
Methodist Protestant.....	928	775	533	57.4	163	79	153	9	8	21	92
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	414	287	178	43.0	54	55	127	14	5	39	34
Primitive Methodist.....	66	66	62	93.9		4					
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	4,812	4,111	3,922	81.5	59	130	701	186	121	80	282
Congregational Methodist.....	66	58	14	21.2	43	1	8		6	1	32
Free Methodist.....	989	748	505	52.1	68	175	221	45	13	79	71
New Congregational Methodist.....	10	10	10	100.0							5
African Methodist Episcopal.....	2,696	2,074	1,885	69.9	743	46	22	13			4
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	610	599	403	65.4	191	5	17	16			1
Colored Methodist Protestant.....	17	17	17	100.0							
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	19	18	15	78.9	3		1	1			
African Union Methodist Protestant.....	37	34	33	89.2	1		3	2		1	17
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	881	795	592	67.2	183	20	86	63	1	3	3
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	45	42	18	40.0	24		3				
African American Methodist Episcopal.....	5	5	5	100.0							
Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal.....	18	18	18	100.0							
Moravian bodies:											
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	131	95	89	67.9	5	1	36	5	11		19
Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	4	4	4	100.0							
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	464	360	259	55.8	54	47	104	7	7	68	12
Pentecostal Holiness Church.....	282	168	149	52.8	12	7	114		2	110	
Polish National Catholic Church.....	27	27	27	100.0							
Presbyterian bodies:											
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	6,597	5,165	4,886	74.1	50	229	1,432	83	254	296	659
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	304	273	169	46.4	70	34	91			12	55
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	32	29	13	40.6	11	5	3			1	2
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	54	51	47	87.0		4	3			1	1
Presbyterian.....	778	668	642	82.5	7	19	110	11	21	10	56
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	1,388	1,181	1,098	79.1	21	62	207	27	51	49	69
Associate Synod of North America.....	5	5	5	100.0							
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	80	80	72	90.0	4	4					
Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	107	87	73	68.2	6	8	20	1		11	6
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	10	10	10	100.0							
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod.....	3,992	3,297	3,060	76.7	68	199	695	241	116	29	294
Reformed Episcopal Church.....											
Reformed bodies:											
Reformed Church in America.....	651	552	538	82.6	1	13	99	12	19	6	54
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,001	851	821	82.0	10	20	150	20	41	4	66
Christian Reformed Church.....	151	135	133	88.1		2	16		6	1	9
Hungarian Reformed Church.....	30	30	27	90.0		3					
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	46	33	23	60.9	5		13	3	3	1	4
Roman Catholic Church.....	13,435	11,482	7,943	59.1		3,539	1,953	226	1,346	195	186
Salvation Army.....	1,500	1,500	737	49.1		763					
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:											
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	342	296	263	76.9	15	18	46		7	14	22
Swedish Free Church.....	95	78	67	70.5	6	5	17	4		6	7
Swedish Free Church.....	39	30	26	66.7		4	9		3	4	2
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....	414	309	287	69.3	9	13	105	10	11		72
Unitarians.....											
United Brethren bodies:											
United Brethren in Christ.....	1,485	1,255	1,055	71.0	91	109	230	26	25	30	129
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	153	145	93	60.8	41	11	8			2	2
United Evangelical Church.....	451	380	340	75.4	16	24	71	12	15	7	32
Universalists.....	409	321	283	69.2	16	22	88	2	18	6	49
Volunteers of America.....	306	300	113	36.9		187	6				6

Among the denominations not included in the above table are the 2 bodies of Latter Day Saints, with 5,990 enrolled ministers; 14 Mennonite bodies, with 1,109 ministers; the National Spiritualists' Association; also several minor bodies. Schedules were received for most of these but they were so incomplete or evidently on such essentially different bases that they could not be tabulated.

Of the 95,702 ministers whose schedules admitted of this classification, it appeared that 80,435 were in pastoral work and 15,267 not in pastoral work. Of those in pastoral work, 64,899 were engaged in pastoral work only, that is, they gave their entire time to that work, and were in continuous service in charge of one or more churches, 6,735 combined with their pastoral work some other occupation, while 8,801

salaries was considerably smaller than the number of those reported as in pastoral work only.

Collating the returns as received, it was decided to limit the presentation of salaries to the class of ministers who were engaged in pastoral work only—that is, those who give their full time to the church work and depend for their support upon the salary received. It seemed that this would give a fairer statement of the salary status in the various denominations than was shown by the statement in 1906, which included all the different grades of ministers.

Of the 202 denominations, there were 104 for which reports on salaries were received from 5 or more pastors, and these denominations comprised 213,540 organizations and 40,728,616 members. The following table shows for each of these 104 denominations

the number of ministers engaged in pastoral work only, the number reporting full salary, the total amount reported, and the average salary per pastor. There is also given the average salary reported by the denomination in 1906.

That the 104 denominations included in the table represent the strength of the churches is evident from the fact that, aside from 3 denominations—the Latter Day Saints (2 bodies) and the Churches of Christ—comprising 7,100 organizations, with a membership of 780,266, and 2 bodies for which no statistics are available, the remaining 93 bodies reported only 6,846 organizations and 417,972 members, an average per denomination of 74 organizations and 4,494 members. It would thus appear that the deficiency in the report of salaries is not very significant.

TABLE 27.—SALARIES OF MINISTERS, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table had five ministers or more reporting salaries.]

DENOMINATION.	MINISTERS ENGAGED IN PASTORAL WORK ONLY.				Average salary for all ministers reported: 1906.	DENOMINATION.	MINISTERS ENGAGED IN PASTORAL WORK ONLY.				Average salary for all ministers reported: 1906.
	Total number.	Number reporting full salary.	Amount of salary reported.	Average salary per pastor.			Total number.	Number reporting full salary.	Amount of salary reported.	Average salary per pastor.	
Total, denominations represented....	64,886	63,543	\$88,496,072	\$1,078	\$668	Lutheran bodies—Continued.					
Adventist bodies:						United Danish Lutheran Church.....	32	81	72,541	896	546
Advent Christian.....	147	139	98,102	706	414	Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	8	8	4,070	581	325
Seventh-day Adventist.....	232	232	190,999	823		Jehovah Conference.....	5	5	2,648	529	399
Life and Advent Union.....	6	5	3,830	766	600	Mennonite bodies:					
Churches of God in Christ Jesus.....	5	5	5,472	1,094	373	General Conference of Mennonites.....	34	30	24,147	805	
American Rescue Workers.....	13	13	7,769	598		Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	43	42	21,820	520	
Armenian Church.....	14	11	7,995	727	619	Methodist bodies:					
Baptist bodies:						Methodist Episcopal.....	9,611	9,574	11,704,223	1,223	312
Baptists—						Methodist Protestant.....	533	524	436,098	832	434
Northern Baptist Convention.....	4,132	4,107	4,790,091	1,166	833	Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	178	176	93,031	529	311
Southern Baptist Convention.....	2,434	2,411	2,585,388	1,072	367	Primitive Methodist.....	62	62	51,844	836	713
National Baptist Convention.....	1,204	1,194	683,465	572	247	Methodist Episcopal, South.....	3,922	3,920	4,065,358	1,037	714
Seventh Day Baptists.....	23	23	19,393	843	536	Congregational Methodist.....	14	14	1,936	138	111
Free Baptists.....	117	114	95,991	842	462	Free Methodist.....	505	493	277,487	563	370
Free Will Baptists.....	36	36	17,136	476		New Congregational Methodist.....	10	7	571	82	
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	24	24	8,571	357	124	African Methodist Episcopal.....	1,885	1,844	881,654	478	347
General Baptists.....	50	46	18,581	410	121	African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	403	403	202,264	502	350
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):						Colored Methodist Protestant.....	17	10	3,200	320	
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	150	150	116,548	777		Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	15	13	6,204	477	278
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	80	80	75,328	942	533	African Union Methodist Protestant.....	33	32	14,243	445	390
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....	93	85	59,596	701		Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	592	577	243,860	423	325
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	295	294	228,119	776	445	Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	18	18	9,859	548	144
Christian Union.....	42	39	20,290	520	305	Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal.....	18	16	2,305	144	
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	128	124	80,591	650	372	Moravian bodies:					
Churches of the New Jerusalem:						Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	89	89	83,854	942	669
General Convention.....	39	37	62,887	1,700	1,233	Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	259	245	156,823	640	658
Congregational Churches.....	3,160	3,153	4,237,579	1,343	1,042	Pentecostal Holiness Church.....	149	142	38,497	271	
Disciples of Christ.....	1,290	1,266	1,583,403	1,251	587	Polish National Catholic Church.....	27	27	21,737	806	714
Eastern Orthodox Churches:						Presbyterian bodies:					
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	99	93	84,871	913	972	Presbyterian in the United States of America.....	4,886	4,885	7,171,412	1,474	1,177
Russian Church.....	150	149	113,565	762	878	Cumberland Presbyterian.....	169	169	102,588	607	542
Serbian Church.....	12	11	11,555	1,050	968	Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	13	13	5,329	410	168
Evangelical Association.....	789	779	694,148	853	602	Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	47	47	53,803	1,145	845
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	30	30	34,925	1,164	890	United Presbyterian.....	642	640	883,694	1,381	1,096
Evangelistic associations:						Presbyterian in the United States.....	1,098	1,091	1,474,425	1,351	956
Apostolic Faith.....	5	5	2,150	430		Associate Synod of North America.....	5	5	4,432	886	521
Hephzibah Faith Missionary.....	6	6	1,500	250		Associate Reformed Presbyterian.....	72	72	70,584	980	652
Missionary Church Association.....	30	30	14,322	477		Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	73	73	85,501	1,171	1,008
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	20	20	5,295	265		Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod.....	10	9	8,509	979	910
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	8	8	4,000	500		Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,060	2,976	4,856,523	1,632	1,242
Friends:						Reformed bodies:					
Friends (Orthodox).....	282	282	192,118	681	374	Reformed in America.....	538	529	723,877	1,368	1,170
German Evangelical Synod.....	792	767	700,486	890	657	Reformed in the United States.....	821	813	881,885	1,085	807
Independent churches.....	23	9	12,480	1,387	613	Christian Reformed.....	153	133	149,780	1,073	776
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	59	50	27,563	492		Hungarian Reformed in America.....	27	27	34,819	1,290	857
Jewish congregations.....	721	584	900,738	1,655	1,222	Reformed Episcopal Church.....	28	28	39,607	1,415	985
Lutheran bodies:						Roman Catholic Church.....	7,943	7,401	6,204,435	838	703
General Synod.....	1,000	994	1,112,843	1,120	852	Salvation Army.....	737	727	374,340	516	228
United Synod, South.....	155	153	142,601	932	646	Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:					
General Council.....	1,162	1,157	1,622,285	1,316	850	Swedish Mission Covenant.....	263	208	183,828	884	621
Synodical Conference.....	2,334	2,325	1,756,362	755	559	Swedish Free Church.....	67	67	50,416	752	552
Norwegian Lutheran Church:						Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....	26	26	19,622	755	
Hauge's Synod.....	113	113	114,533	1,014	829	Unitarians.....	287	286	594,852	2,080	1,553
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	340	347	364,721	1,051	825	United Brethren bodies:					
United Norwegian Church.....	433	433	486,615	1,124	722	United Brethren in Christ.....	1,055	1,040	948,130	912	578
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	469	468	395,795	849	595	United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	93	92	43,137	469	284
Synod of Buffalo.....	21	21	15,128	720	505	United Evangelical Church.....	340	336	293,291	873	588
Synod of Iowa.....	484	482	388,959	807	548	Universalists.....	283	283	464,283	1,641	1,238
Danish Lutheran Church.....	43	43	34,537	803	608	Volunteers of America.....	113	107	56,295	528	273
Immanuel Synod.....	6	6	4,980	830	739						
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	25	25	23,608	1,144	593						
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	125	123	102,438	833	463						

This table shows that the total number of pastors reporting full salaries was 63,543, the total amount of salary received by them was \$68,496,072, and the average salary in 1916 was \$1,078, as against an average of \$669 reported for all classes of ministers for the same denominations in 1906.

With regard to some of the bodies included, it is evident that the average salaries are too small to permit of a pastor's living on them, as in the case of several of the Baptist and Methodist bodies, located chiefly in the Southern states, yet the schedules gave no indication of other occupations, and the total number, with the amounts received, were not so large as seriously to affect the general average. The situation in the Roman Catholic Church has already been noted. In the Salvation Army salaries of commanding officers only were included, as they seemed to correspond most closely to the ministry in other bodies.

Those denominations reporting average salaries of over \$1,000 in 1916 were as follows:

Unitarians .....	\$2, 080
General Convention of the New Jerusalem .....	1, 700
Jewish congregations .....	1, 655
Universalists .....	1, 641
Protestant Episcopal Church .....	1, 632
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America .....	1, 474
Reformed Episcopal Church .....	1, 415
Independent churches .....	1, 387
United Presbyterian Church .....	1, 381
Reformed Church in America .....	1, 368
Presbyterian Church in the United States .....	1, 351
Congregational Churches .....	1, 343
Lutheran—General Council .....	1, 316
Hungarian Reformed Church .....	1, 290
Disciples of Christ .....	1, 251
Methodist Episcopal Church .....	1, 223
Reformed Presbyterian Synod .....	1, 171
Northern Baptist Convention .....	1, 166
Evangelical Protestant Church .....	1, 164
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Church .....	1, 145
Finnish, Suomi Synod .....	1, 144
United Norwegian Lutheran Church .....	1, 124

Lutheran—General Synod .....	\$1, 120
Churches of God in Christ Jesus (Adventist) .....	1, 094
Reformed Church in the United States .....	1, 085
Christian Reformed Church .....	1, 073
Southern Baptist Convention .....	1, 072
Synod for the Norwegian Lutheran Church .....	1, 051
Serbian Orthodox Church .....	1, 050
Methodist Episcopal Church, South .....	1, 037
Hauge's Norwegian Lutheran Synod .....	1, 014

This list shows that in only 31 of the 104 denominations with 5 or more ministers who reported salaries, was the average salary over \$1,000, leaving 73 in which it was less than that amount. Specifically, the average salary for these 31 denominations was \$1,278, while the average salary for the 73 denominations was \$738. The pastors in these 31 denominations numbered 39,970, or 62.9 per cent of all the pastors reporting full salaries, while the lower average salary was reported by 23,573 pastors, or 37.1 per cent.

Five denominations reported average salaries of over \$1,500 and 1 denomination an average of over \$2,000. These high averages indicate that in single instances pastors receive even much larger salaries, some metropolitan pastors receiving as high as \$5,000, \$10,000, or \$15,000 annually.

In this connection two movements are to be noted: The providing of parsonages and the establishment of retiring allowances or pensions. The increase in the number of churches reporting parsonages is noted elsewhere (see p. 53). The establishment of retiring pensions or allowances has received a considerable impetus during recent years. In the Methodist Episcopal Church the proceeds of the Book Concern, or Publication Department of the Church, are applied to the relief of superannuated ministers and of widows and orphans of ministers. Special funds have been and are being raised by this and by several other denominations, notably the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Congregational Churches, the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and others.

## LANGUAGES USED IN THE CONDUCT OF CHURCH SERVICES.

At the census of 1906, for the first time, an attempt was made to secure complete reports from the various denominations as to the languages used in the conduct of religious services, by asking each organization to report the language or languages used. This inquiry was retained in the schedule at the census of 1916, so that it is possible to present comparable statistics concerning organizations using English only, those using one or more foreign languages in addition to English, and those using foreign languages only.

The following table shows, for 1916 and 1906, respectively, the total number of organizations and members reported for each denomination, the total number reporting the use of one or more foreign lan-

guages alone or in addition to English, and the total number reporting the use of English only or not reporting as to language. The organizations making no report as to language are combined with those reporting English only, as they constitute a small percentage of the total number of organizations and, in nearly every case, belong to English speaking denominations. It is assumed, therefore, that those submitting the reports regarded it as superfluous to mention the language, possibly interpreting the question as applying only to those organizations using a foreign language in conducting services. Such are the Separate, United, and Primitive Baptists, the Negro Baptist and Negro Methodist bodies, etc.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 28.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

DENOMINATION.	1916						1906					
	Total organ- izations.	Total members.	Reporting foreign language.		Reporting English only or not re- porting as to lan- guage.		Total organ- izations.	Total members.	Reporting foreign language.		Reporting English only or not re- porting as to lan- guage.	
			Organ- iza- tions.	Members.	Organ- iza- tions.	Members.			Organ- iza- tions.	Members.	Organ- iza- tions.	Members.
Total.....	227,487	41,926,854	26,239	11,329,487	201,248	30,597,367	212,230	35,068,058	24,594	9,336,039	187,636	25,731,119
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	535	30,597	1	135	534	30,462	550	26,799	2	65	548	26,734
Seventh-day Adventist.....	2,011	79,355	219	9,334	1,792	70,021	1,889	62,211	187	6,089	1,702	56,122
Church of God (Adventist).....	22	848			22	848	10	854			10	354
Life and Advent Union.....	13	658			13	658	12	509			12	509
Churches of God in Christ Jesus.....	87	3,457			87	3,457	62	2,124			62	2,124
American Rescue Workers <sup>1</sup> .....	20	611	2	24	27	587	20	436	2	80	18	356
Armenian Church.....	34	27,450	34	27,450			73	19,889	71	19,554	2	335
Assemblies of God, General Council.....	118	6,703	7	1,052	111	5,651						
Bahais.....	57	2,884	2	53	55	2,831	24	1,280			24	1,280
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention.....	8,159	1,232,135	713	83,853	7,446	1,148,182	8,272	1,052,105	662	66,692	7,610	985,413
Southern Baptist Convention.....	23,627	2,708,870	161	10,323	23,466	2,698,547	21,104	2,009,471	80	4,304	21,024	2,005,167
National Baptist Convention.....	21,113	2,938,579	3	106	21,110	2,938,473	18,534	2,261,807	2	80	18,532	2,261,503
General Six Principle Baptists.....	10	456			10	456		885			10	685
Seventh Day Baptists.....	68	7,980			68	7,980		77			68	8,381
Free Baptists.....	171	12,570			171	12,570	1,346	81,359			1,346	81,359
Free Will Baptists.....	750	54,833			750	54,833	608	40,280			608	40,280
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	170	13,362			170	13,362	251	14,489			251	14,489
Free Will Baptists (Bullockites).....	12	184			12	184	15	298			15	298
General Baptists.....	518	33,466			518	33,466	518	30,097			518	30,097
Separate Baptists.....	46	4,254			46	4,254	76	5,180			76	5,180
Regular Baptists <sup>3</sup> .....	401	21,521			401	21,521	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )				
United Baptists.....	254	22,097			254	22,097	196	13,098			196	13,098
Duck River (Baptist Church of Christ).....	105	6,572			105	6,572	93	6,416			93	6,416
Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	2,143	80,311	1	63	2,142	80,248	2,922	102,311			2,922	102,311
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	336	15,144			336	15,144	797	35,076			797	35,076
Two Seed-in-the-Spirit Baptists.....	55	679			55	679	55	731			55	731
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>3</sup> .....	999	105,102	26	5,854	973	99,248	822	76,547	27	5,301	795	71,246
Old Order German Baptist.....	67	3,399	4	212	63	3,187	68	3,388			68	3,388
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	203	24,060			203	24,060	202	17,042			202	17,042
German Seventh Day Baptists.....	5	136	1	25	4	111	5	167	1	27	4	140
Church of God (New Dunkers).....	13	929			13	929	( <sup>4</sup> )	( <sup>4</sup> )				
Brethren, Plymouth:												
Brethren, Plymouth, I.....	161	3,896	10	216	151	3,680	134	2,933			134	2,933
Brethren, Plymouth, II.....	130	5,928	2	37	128	5,891	128	4,752			128	4,752
Brethren, Plymouth, III <sup>3</sup> .....	17	476	5	205	12	270	81	1,724	14	295	67	1,429
Brethren, Plymouth, IV <sup>3</sup> .....	72	1,389	1	13	71	1,376	60	1,167	8	117	52	1,040
Brethren, Plymouth, V <sup>3</sup> .....	80	1,820	4	32	76	1,788						
Brethren, Plymouth, VI <sup>3</sup> .....	10	208			10	208						
Brethren, River:												
Brethren in Christ.....	72	3,805	13	1,132	59	2,673	74	3,397	21	1,583	53	1,814
Old Order or Yorker.....	9	432	8	418	1	14	9	423	6	390	8	33
United Zion's Children.....	31	1,152	25	1,072	6	80	28	749	26	702	2	47
Buddhists:												
Chinese temples <sup>4</sup> .....	12	5,639	12	5,639			12	3,165	12	3,165		
Catholic Apostolic Church.....	13	2,788	3	652	10	2,116	11	2,907	3	1,606	8	1,301
Christadelphians.....	145	2,922	2	21	143	2,901	70	1,412			70	1,412
Christian and Missionary Alliance <sup>2</sup> .....	166	9,625	1	319	165	9,306	5	106			5	106
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	1,265	118,737			1,265	118,737	1,379	110,117	1	32	1,378	110,085
Christian Union.....	220	13,692			220	13,692	217	13,905			217	13,905
Church of God and Saints of Christ.....	94	3,311			94	3,311	48	1,823			48	1,823
Church of Messianic Message.....	5	266			5	266						
Churches of Christ.....	5,570	317,937	1	135	5,569	317,802	2,649	159,658	1	21	2,648	159,637
Churches of God, General Assembly.....	202	7,784	1	19	201	7,765						
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	443	28,376	6	348	437	28,028	518	24,356	8	401	510	23,955
Churches of the Living God:												
Church of the Living God.....	28	1,743			28	1,743						
Church of the Living God, Christian Work- ers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	155	9,626			155	9,626	53	3,524			53	3,524
Church of the Living God, General Assembly <sup>2</sup> .....	10	266			10	266	15	752			15	752
Churches of the New Jerusalem:												
General Convention.....	108	6,352	10	384	98	5,968	119	6,612	12	613	107	5,999
General Church.....	15	733			15	733	14	635			14	635
Communitarian societies:												
Amana Society.....	7	1,534	7	1,534			7	1,756	7	1,756		
Shakers.....	12	367										
Congregational Churches.....	5,867	791,274	447	45,837	5,420	745,417	5,713	700,480	466	38,184	5,247	662,296
Disciples of Christ.....	8,408	1,226,028	12	1,755	8,396	1,224,273	8,293	982,701	5	169	8,288	982,532
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Albanian Church.....	2	410	2	410								
Bulgarian Church.....	4	1,992	4	1,992								
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	87	119,871	87	119,871								
Rumanian Church.....	2	1,994	2	1,994			334	90,751	334	90,751		
Russian Church.....	169	99,681	168	99,406	1	275	59	19,111	59	19,111		
Serbian Church.....	12	14,301	11	11,191	1	3,110	10	15,742	8	4,002		
Syrian Church.....	25	11,591	12	7,230	13	4,361	8	4,002	8	4,002		
Evangelical Association.....	1,636	120,756	585	47,369	1,051	78,387	1,760	104,898	917	59,627	843	45,371
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	37	17,962	37	17,962			66	34,704	62	32,954	4	1,760
Evangelistic associations:												
Apostolic Church.....	2	112			2	112						
Apostolic Christian Church.....	54	4,786	54	4,786			42	4,558	38	4,170	4	388
Apostolic Faith.....	24	2,196	3	188	21	2,008	6	538			6	538
Christian Congregation.....	7	645			7	645	9	395			9	395
Church of Daniel's Band.....	6	393			6	393	4	92			4	92
Church of God as Organized by Christ.....	17	227	7	81	10	146						

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for changes in the number of members for the Roman Catholic Church.  
<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations see pp. 530 and 531.  
<sup>3</sup> Not reported.

<sup>4</sup> No statistics available.  
<sup>5</sup> Figures are for Gospel Mission.

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TABLE 28.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	1916						1906					
	Total organ-izations.	Total members.	Reporting foreign language.		Reporting English only or not reporting as to language.		Total organ-izations.	Total members.	Reporting foreign language.		Reporting English only or not reporting as to language.	
			Organ-izations.	Members.	Organ-izations.	Members.			Organ-izations.	Members.	Organ-izations.	Members.
Evangelistic associations—Continued.												
Church Transcendent.....	3	91			3	91						
Hephzibah Faith Missionary.....	12	352			12	352	10	293	2	55	8	238
Lumber River Mission.....	6	434			6	434	5	265			5	265
Metropolitan Church.....	7	704			7	704	6	466			6	466
Missionary Church.....	25	1,554	8	700	17	854	32	1,256	20	860	12	396
Peniel Missions.....	10	257			10	257	11	703			11	703
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	10	218			10	218	16	487			16	487
Pillar of Fire.....	21	1,129			21	1,129	3	230			3	230
Voluntary Missionary Society.....	4	855			4	855	3	425			3	425
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	6,225			35	6,225	15	1,835			15	1,835
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	809	92,379	4	1,224	805	91,155	873	91,161	4	148	809	91,013
Friends (Hicksite).....	166	17,170			166	17,170	218	18,560			218	18,560
Friends (Wilburite).....	50	3,373	1	92	49	3,281	48	3,880	3	268	45	3,612
Friends (Primitive).....	2	60			2	60	8	171			8	171
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,836	339,853	1,274	329,983	62	9,870	1,205	293,137	1,188	288,693	17	4,444
Holiness Church.....	33	926			33	926						
Independent churches.....	576	54,393	77	11,832	502	42,561	1,079	73,673	137	17,594	942	56,079
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	170	5,276	2	35	168	5,241	74	2,774			74	2,774
Jacobite Church (Assyrian).....	15	748	15	748								
Jewish congregations.....	1,901	357,135	1,537	342,380	364	14,755	1,769	101,457	951	82,844	818	18,613
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	965	403,388	12	6,684	953	396,704	683	215,796	14	7,439	669	208,357
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	565	58,941	2	349	563	58,592	501	40,851	5	379	496	40,472
Lithuanian National Catholic Church.....	7	7,343	7	7,343								
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	1,846	370,715	229	47,973	1,617	322,742	1,734	270,221	262	46,385	1,472	223,836
United Synod, South.....	492	56,856	4	1,143	488	55,513	440	47,747	5	1,733	444	46,014
General Council.....	2,489	540,642	1,578	367,488	811	173,144	2,146	462,177	1,586	421,568	560	40,600
Synodical Conference.....	3,621	777,701	3,260	728,583	361	49,118	3,360	660,670	3,206	640,380	154	20,290
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	362	29,893	263	23,221	99	6,672	272	23,268	256	32,277	16	991
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	987	112,673	920	108,697	67	3,976	927	107,712	902	106,393	25	1,319
United Norwegian Church.....	1,391	176,084	1,379	172,373	12	3,711	1,177	185,027	1,136	180,669	41	4,353
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	827	164,968	570	130,012	257	34,956	772	123,408	606	104,723	166	18,685
Synod of Buffalo.....	42	6,128	37	6,098	5	30	33	5,270	33	5,270		
Elielsen's Synod.....	20	1,206	19	1,163	1	43	26	1,013	26	1,013		
Synod of Iowa.....	977	130,793	809	123,699	168	7,124	828	110,254	819	108,892	9	1,362
Danish Lutheran Church.....	101	14,544	99	14,439	2	105	92	12,541	90	12,315	2	226
Icelandic Synod.....	14	1,830	14	1,830			14	2,101	14	2,101		
Immanuel Synod.....	15	2,978	11	2,878	4	100	11	3,275	10	3,125	1	150
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	134	18,881	133	18,852	1	29	105	12,907	105	12,907		
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	378	28,180	357	27,084	21	1,096	320	26,928	319	26,864	1	64
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	192	17,324	190	17,094	2	230	198	16,340	185	16,195	3	145
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	64	7,933	61	7,701	3	232	66	10,111	66	10,111		
Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish).....	47	6,664	47	6,664			68	8,170	67	8,080	1	90
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	23	892	23	892			16	482	16	482		
Jehovah Conference.....	6	831	6	831			9	735	9	735		
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church.....	307	34,965	80	17,003	227	17,962	277	26,314	122	16,604	155	9,710
Hutterian Brethren.....	17	982	17	982			8	275	8	275		
Conservative Amish.....	13	1,066	13	1,066			46	5,043	46	5,043		
Old Order Amish.....	88	7,665	85	7,442	3	223	46	5,043	46	5,043		
Church of God in Christ.....	21	1,125	21	1,125			18	562	18	562		
Old Order Mennonite (Wisler).....	22	1,608	22	1,608			9	655	9	655		
Reformed Mennonite.....	20	1,281	6	778	23	503	34	2,079	34	2,079		
General Conference of Mennonites.....	114	15,407	81	12,282	33	3,125	90	11,661	82	10,702	8	959
Defenseless Mennonites.....	11	854	7	664	4	190	14	967	14	967		
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	110	4,737	15	935	95	3,802	68	2,801	11	717	57	2,084
Mennonite Brethren Church.....	53	5,127	43	5,034	10	93	13	1,825	13	1,825		
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde.....	13	894	11	839	2	55	6	708	6	708		
Kleine Gemeinde.....	3	171	3	171								
Central Conference of Mennonites.....	17	2,101	5	781	12	1,820	13	1,863	7	624	6	739
Conference of Defenseless Mennonites.....	15	1,171	12	1,141	3	30	8	545	8	545		
Stauffer Mennonites.....	5	209	5	209								
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	20,342	3,717,785	1,250	111,650	28,092	3,606,135	20,943	2,986,154	1,400	99,404	28,543	2,886,750
Methodist Protestant.....	2,473	186,908	1	152	2,472	186,756	2,843	178,544	3	150	2,840	178,394
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	579	20,778	1	61	578	20,717	594	20,043	2	72	592	19,971
Primitive Methodist.....	93	9,353			93	9,353	96	7,553			96	7,553
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	19,220	2,114,479	152	9,642	19,068	2,104,837	17,831	1,636,480	142	5,978	17,689	1,632,502
Congregational Methodist.....	197	12,503			197	12,503	325	14,729			325	14,729
Free Methodist.....	1,606	35,291	6	269	1,600	35,022	1,553	32,838	4	108	1,549	32,730
New Congregational Methodist.....	24	1,256			24	1,256	35	1,782			35	1,782
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,636	548,355	1	80	6,635	548,305	6,647	494,777	1	33	6,646	494,744
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,716	257,169			2,716	257,169	2,204	184,542			2,204	184,542
Colored Methodist Protestant.....	26	1,967			26	1,967	(*)					
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	67	3,624			67	3,624	77	4,347			77	4,347
African Union Methodist Protestant.....	58	3,751			58	3,751	69	5,592			69	5,592
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	2,621	245,749			2,621	245,749	2,381	172,996			2,381	172,996
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	47	3,977			47	3,977	45	3,059			45	3,059
African American Methodist Episcopal.....	28	1,310			28	1,310	(*)					
Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal.....	27	2,196			27	2,196	58	4,397			58	4,397
Moravian bodies:												
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	110	20,373	35	10,036	75	16,837	117	17,155	46	7,258	71	9,897
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	23	1,714	23	1,714			15	771	15	771		
Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	3	320	3	320								
New Apostolic Church.....	20	3,828	18	3,662	2	166	13	2,020	13	2,020		
Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith.....	58	2,273	2	1,018	56	1,255	204	6,396	13	364	191	6,062

\* For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

\* In 1906, heads of families only.

\* Not reported.



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TABLE 28.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	1916						1906					
	Total organ- iza- tions.	Total members.	Reporting foreign language.		Reporting English only or not re- porting as to lan- guage.		Total organ- iza- tions.	Total members.	Reporting foreign language.		Reporting English only or not re- porting as to lan- guage.	
			Organ- iza- tions.	Members.	Organ- iza- tions.	Members.			Organ- iza- tions.	Members.	Organ- iza- tions.	Members.
Old Catholic Churches in America:												
Old Roman Catholic.....	12	4,700	10	3,850	2	850	(1)	(1)				
American Catholic.....	3	475			3	475						
Catholic Church of North America.....	6	9,025	5	8,300	1	725						
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	867	32,259	5	170	862	32,089	100	6,657	2	95	98	6,562
Pentecostal Holiness Church.....	192	5,553			192	5,553						
Polish National Catholic Church <sup>2</sup> .....	34	28,245	32	27,659	2	586	24	15,473	24	15,473		
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,660	1,611,251	438	68,838	9,222	1,542,413	7,935	1,179,566	376	41,906	7,559	1,137,060
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	1,317	72,052	13	315	1,304	71,737	2,850	195,770	17	284	2,833	195,486
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	136	13,077			136	13,077	190	18,060			196	18,066
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	135	14,566	122	14,140	13	426	147	13,280	141	13,097	6	183
United Presbyterian.....	991	180,728	16	820	975	159,908	968	130,342	6	619	962	129,723
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,368	357,789	41	4,080	3,327	353,689	3,104	266,345	31	1,970	3,073	264,369
Associate Synod of North America.....	12	490			12	490	22	780			22	786
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	133	15,124			133	15,124	141	13,201			141	13,201
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	103	8,185	1	100	102	8,085	114	9,122	3	108	111	9,014
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>2</sup> .....	14	2,338			14	2,338	28	4,060			28	4,060
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,392	1,092,821	121	26,465	7,271	1,066,356	6,845	886,942	177	25,105	6,668	861,837
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	715	144,929	284	43,774	431	101,155	659	124,938	222	32,364	437	92,574
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,781	344,374	615	141,322	1,166	203,052	1,736	292,854	694	147,195	1,042	145,459
Christain Reformed Church.....	226	38,668	203	34,376	23	4,292	174	20,669	153	25,135	21	1,634
Hungarian Reformed Church.....	46	9,851	46	9,851			16	5,233	16	5,233		
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	75	11,050			75	11,050	81	9,682			81	9,682
Roman Catholic Church.....	17,487	15,721,815	6,076	7,877,171	11,411	8,044,644	12,482	14,210,755	4,711	8,284,733	7,771	7,926,022
Salvation Army.....	749	35,954	74	3,364	675	32,590	694	22,908	77	2,613	617	20,295
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies: <sup>2</sup>												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	324	29,104	316	29,136	8	28	281	20,760	279	20,735	2	25
Swedish Free Church <sup>2</sup> .....	102	6,208	100	6,112	2	96	127	6,952	127	6,952		
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....	32	2,444	32	2,444								
Schwenkfelders.....	6	1,127	2	744	4	383	8	725			2	120
Social Brethren.....	19	950			19	950	17	1,262	6	605	17	1,262
Society for Ethical Culture.....	5	2,850			5	2,850	5	2,040			5	2,040
Spiritualists:												
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>2</sup> .....	346	23,197	20	1,448	326	21,749	455	35,056	23	938	432	34,118
Progressive Spiritual Church <sup>2</sup> .....	11	5,831			11	5,831						
Temple Society.....	2	260	1	98	1	162	3	376	3	376		
Theosophical societies:												
Theosophical Society <sup>2</sup> .....	17	199			17	199	14	166			14	166
Theosophical Society, New York.....	1	72			1	72	1	90			1	90
Theosophical Society, American Section.....	157	5,097	4	93	153	5,004	60	2,080	1	27	68	2,063
Universal Brotherhood <sup>2</sup> .....	1				1		1				1	
Unitarians.....	414	82,515	6	540	408	81,975	401	70,542	6	653	455	69,889
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	3,487	348,828	40	5,764	3,447	343,064	3,732	274,649	67	6,028	3,665	268,621
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	409	19,106	1	72	408	19,034	572	21,401	6	205	566	21,196
United Evangelical Church.....	957	89,774	49	5,788	908	83,986	978	69,882	158	12,478	820	57,404
Universalists.....	650	58,556			650	58,556	846	64,158			840	64,158
Vedanta Society.....	3	190			3	190	4	340			4	340
Volunteers of America.....	97	10,204	4	1,115	93	9,089	71	2,194			71	2,194
All other denominations.....							863	106,740	147	16,582	716	90,158

<sup>1</sup> Not reported.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for changes in the number of members for the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>4</sup> No statistics available.

From this table it appears that of the 200<sup>1</sup> denominations represented, 132 reported a part or all of their organizations for 1916 as using a foreign language, and 68 reported the use of English only. While the number of denominations reported as using a foreign language in conducting services was almost twice the number of those using English only, it is to be noted that, within these denominations, the number of organizations using a foreign language was usually a small proportion of the whole number of organizations. Thus, for all denominations combined, only 26,239 organizations, or 11.5 per cent of the total, reported the use of a foreign language, and these comprised 11,329,487 members, or only 27 per cent of the membership of all denominations.

The denominations reporting a part or all of their organizations as using a foreign language may be divided into four classes: (1) Those in which the use of English is predominant, and in which the organizations reporting the use of a foreign language may be considered the result of evangelistic or mission work; (2) those which are also predominantly English speaking, but in which organizations using foreign languages are provided to meet the needs of immigrant communities naturally affiliated with the particular denomination; (3) those which are solely or very largely made up of the immigrant element, to which the use of English, whether in church services or in ordinary life, is as yet unfamiliar, and in which there are comparatively few English speaking organi-

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of the Chinese Buddhists and the Universal Brotherhood and Theosophical Society, for which no statistics are available.



zations; and (4) those which report no organizations using English only.

Among the denominations of the first class are the Seventh-day Adventists, the Northern, Southern, and National Baptist Conventions, Congregational Churches, Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. The percentage of organizations in these denominations using a foreign language is naturally small. For the Seventh-day Adventists it is 10.9 per cent; for the Northern Baptist Convention, 8.7 per cent; for the Congregational Churches, 7.6 per cent; the Methodist Episcopal Church, 4.3 per cent; and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 4.5 per cent.

Among the denominations in the second class, in which special provision is made for affiliated non-English speaking immigrants, are the Evangelical Association, in which the percentage of organizations reporting foreign languages was 35.8, and the Roman Catholic Church, in which the percentage was 34.7. Two of the four Reformed bodies were in this class, the Reformed Church in America, with 36.9 per cent, and the Reformed Church in the United States, with 34.9; while the other two belong in the third and fourth classes, respectively, the Christian Reformed Church, reporting 89.8 per cent of its organizations using a foreign language, and the Hungarian Reformed Church, reporting all of its organizations using Magyar.

The leading bodies in the third class, largely made up of non-English speaking organizations, are the Jewish congregations, the German Evangelical Synod, and some of the Lutheran bodies. Of the Jewish congregations, those reporting the use of a foreign language are 80.9 per cent of the total, and in the German Evangelical Synod the organizations so reporting are 95.4 per cent of the total. Among the Lutheran bodies conditions vary. Of the larger bodies, the General Synod and the United Synod, South, are predominantly English, and the remainder predominantly foreign, in regard to the language used in church services.

In the fourth class, denominations reporting no organizations using English only, are included, among

others, the Armenian Church, the Japanese Buddhists, four of the Eastern Orthodox Churches, the Evangelical Protestant Church, and several of the Mennonite bodies.

A comparison of the figures in the table for 1916 with those for 1906 shows, in general, no marked difference except such as is accounted for by the growth, or other change, in the various bodies. The percentages of organizations and members reporting the use of English only for the two years are very nearly the same, or 88.5 per cent of organizations and 73 of members in 1916, against 88.4 per cent of organizations and 73.4 of members in 1906. Of the denominations reporting in 1906 the use of English only, 9 have now joined the ranks of those in which a foreign language as well as English is used. These are the Bahais, Primitive Baptists, Old Order German Baptist Brethren, Plymouth Brethren I and II, Christadelphians, Apostolic Faith, International Apostolic Holiness Church, and Volunteers of America. The Evangelical Association, the United Evangelical Church, and the Lutheran Synod of Iowa—composed mainly of German speaking people—show a tendency, as seen by the table, toward the exclusive use of English in church services. Thus in the Evangelical Association the number of organizations reporting the use of English only for 1916 was 1,051, or 64.2 per cent of the total, against 843 organizations, or 47.9 per cent, in 1906. The number of organizations in the United Evangelical Church reporting English only in 1916 was 908, or 94.9 per cent, against 820, or 83.8 per cent, in 1906, while the number reported by the Synod of Iowa was 168, or 17.2 per cent, against 9 organizations, or 1.1 per cent, in 1906.

The following table shows, for each denomination reporting the use of foreign languages in 1916, the specified languages reported, and the number of organizations and members making such report, subdivided according to those using the specified foreign languages only or the specified foreign languages and English. It will be noted that the American Indian languages are classified as foreign.

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TABLE 29.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES ONLY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH, BY DENOMINATIONS AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGES: 1916.

DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.						DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.					
	Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.			Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.	
	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.		Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.
Total, denominations represented.....	26,239	11,329,487	11,684	4,750,231	14,555	6,573,256	Baptist bodies—Continued.						
Adventist bodies:							Baptists—Continued.						
Advent Christian—							Northern Baptist Convention—						
Italian.....	1	135			1	135	Continued.	2	731	1	26	1	705
Seventh-day Adventist.....	219	9,334	109	4,693	110	4,641	Slovenian.....	1	38	1	38		
Armenian and Danish.....	1	44			1	44	Spanish.....	20	4,285	3	72	17	4,213
Belgian and French.....	1	57			1	57	Welsh.....	161	10,323	125	6,317	36	4,006
Bohemian.....	1	66			1	66	French.....	8	374	1	24	7	350
Bohemian and Slavic.....	2	202	1	60		142	German.....	21	1,669	15	1,163	6	506
Danish and German.....	1	33			1	33	Indian.....	112	5,661	96	4,071	16	1,590
Dutch.....	1	26			1	26	Italian.....	2	1,370	1	45	1	1,325
Dutch, Lettish, Polish, and							Lettish.....	1	22	1	22		
Russian.....	1	12	1	12			Magyar.....	1	10			1	10
Finnish.....	5	110	3	36	2	74	Slovenian.....	1	27	1	27		
French.....	1	49			1	49	Spanish.....	11	795	9	697	2	98
French and Portuguese.....	1	97			1	97	Swedish.....	3	363	1	268	2	95
French and Swedish.....	90	4,564	51	2,902	39	1,662	Welsh.....	1	32			1	32
German.....	1	12			1	12	National Baptist Convention.....	3	106			3	106
German and Polish.....	1	21			1	21	French.....	1	45			1	45
German and Swedish.....	1	18			1	18	German.....	1	18			1	18
Indian.....	1	48	1	48			Italian.....	1	43			1	43
Italian.....	1	21	1	21			Primitive Baptists—						
Magyar.....	1	16	1	16			German.....	1	63			1	63
Rumanian.....	4	171	4	171			Brethren, German Baptist (Dun-						
Russian.....							kers):						
Scandinavian—							Church of the Brethren (Conser-						
Danish.....	21	565	4	72	17	493	ervative).	26	5,854			26	5,854
Danish and Norwegian.....	5	303	3	272	2	31	German.....	25	5,789			25	5,789
Danish and Swedish.....	2	65	2	65			Italian.....	1	65			1	65
Danish, Norwegian, and Swed-							Old Order German Baptist—						
ish.....	1	36	1	36			German.....	4	212			4	212
Norwegian.....	10	223	4	66	6	162	German Seventh Day Baptists—						
Norwegian and Swedish.....	6	296	4	192	2	104	German.....	1	25			1	25
Swedish.....	33	981	16	422	17	559	Brethren, Plymouth:						
Not specified.....	12	514	3	104	9	410	Brethren, Plymouth, I.....	10	216	8	193	2	23
Serbian.....	1	7	1	7			French.....	3	73	3	73		
Spanish.....	12	307	7	125	5	182	German.....	3	58	1	35	2	23
American Rescue Workers:							Italian.....	2	65	2	65		
German.....	2	24			2	24	Norwegian.....	2	20	2	20		
Armenian Church:							Brethren, Plymouth, II—						
Armenian.....	34	27,450	34	27,450			German.....	2	37	2	37		
Assemblies of God, General Council:							Brethren, Plymouth, III.....	5	206	5	206		
German.....	7	1,052	2	336	5	716	Dutch and German.....	1	105	1	105		
German, Lithuanian, and Ru-							French.....	1	32	1	32		
manian.....	3	527	1	36	2	491	German.....	3	69	3	69		
Scandinavian—							Brethren, Plymouth, IV—						
Norwegian.....	1	300	1	300			French.....	1	13	1	13		
Not specified.....	1	75			1	75	Brethren, Plymouth, V.....	4	32	4	32		
Syrian.....	1	85			1	85	French.....	1	11	1	11		
Bahais:							German.....	2	12	2	12		
Persian.....	2	53			2	53	Polish.....	1	9	1	9		
Baptist bodies:							Brethren, River:						
Baptists—							Brethren in Christ—						
Northern Baptist Convention.....	713	83,953	392	34,309	321	49,644	German.....	13	1,132			13	1,132
Bohemian.....	3	837	2	715	1	122	Old Order or Yorker—						
Bohemian and Slovak.....	1	25	1	25			German.....	8	418			8	418
Chinese.....	5	355	2	105	3	250	United Zion's Children—						
Dutch.....	1	60	1	60			German.....	25	1,072	1	13	24	1,059
Finnish.....	4	303	2	60	2	243	Buddhists:						
Finnish and Swedish.....	1	25	1	25			Japanese temples—						
French.....	6	1,631	2	145	4	1,486	Japanese.....	12	5,639	12	5,639		
French and Portuguese.....	2	1,299			2	1,299	Catholic Apostolic Church:						
German.....	170	21,636	109	11,989	61	9,647	German.....	3	652	3	652		
German and Italian.....	1	317			1	317	Christadelphians.....	2	21	1	18	1	3
German and Rumanian.....	1	200			1	200	French.....	1	3			1	3
German and Swedish.....	1	15			1	15	Italian.....	1	18	1	18		
Indian.....	7	578	2	149	5	429	Christian and Missionary Alliance:						
Italian.....	27	6,734	3	116	24	6,618	German.....	1	319			1	319
Italian and Russian.....	1	921			1	921	Churches of Christ:						
Japanese.....	1	107	1	107			German, Polish, Russian, and						
Lettish.....	4	2,567	2	267	2	2,300	Yiddish.....	1	135	1	135		
Magyar.....	14	1,180	12	512	2	668	Churches of God, General Assembly:						
Magyar and Rumanian.....	2	643			2	643	Spanish.....	1	19			1	19
Magyar and Swedish.....	1	177			1	177	Churches of God, General Eldership:	6	348	1	34	5	314
Polish.....	13	2,128	9	668	4	1,460	German.....	5	314			5	314
Polish and Russian.....	1	181			1	181	Slavic.....	1	34	1	34		
Polish, Russian, and Ruther-							Churches of the New Jerusalem:						
nian.....	1	45	1	45			General Convention.....	10	384	2	92	8	292
Portuguese.....	3	432	1	22	2	410	German.....	7	271	2	92	5	179
Rumanian.....	3	408	3	408			Spanish.....	2	99			2	99
Russian.....	4	174	3	143	1	31	Swedish.....	1	14			1	14
Russian and Slovak.....	1	74	1	74			Communitistic societies:						
Scandinavian—							Amarna Society—						
Danish.....	36	3,847	7	464	29	3,383	German.....	7	1,534	7	1,534		
Danish and Norwegian.....	5	365	1	38	4	327	Congregational Churches.....	447	45,857	309	22,227	138	23,630
Norwegian.....	32	1,407	15	515	17	892	Armenian.....	10	3,100	3	319	7	2,781
Norwegian and Swedish.....	3	27	2	19	1	8	Armenian, Chinese, and Japanese.....	1	2,276			1	2,276
Swedish.....	326	29,425	199	17,253	127	12,172	Bohemian.....	3	218	1	58	2	160
Not specified.....	2	38	1	30	1	8	Bohemian and Slovak.....	1	161	1	161		
Slovak.....	7	738	4	219	3	519	Chinese.....	2	343	1	21	1	322
							Chinese and Spanish.....	1	226			1	226

1 Whether Flemish or French not specified.

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TABLE 29.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES ONLY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH, BY DENOMINATIONS AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGES: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.						DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.					
	Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.			Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.	
	Organ-izations.	Mem-bers.	Organ-izations.	Mem-bers.	Organ-izations.	Mem-bers.		Organ-izations.	Mem-bers.	Organ-izations.	Mem-bers.	Organ-izations.	Mem-bers.
Congregational Churches—Contd.							Independent churches—Continued.						
Finnish	16	863	15	853	1	10	Scandinavian—Continued.						
Finnish and Swedish	2	65			2	65	Norwegian and Swedish	1	11	1	11		
French	4	422	3	277	1	145	Swedish	7	227	4	83	3	144
German	186	15,384	164	11,961	22	3,423	Not specified	6	365	1	150	4	215
Indian	22	1,240	17	987	5	253	Slovak	1	410	1	410		
Italian	7	669	1	78	6	591	Spanish	1	45	1	45		
Italian and Magyar	1	1,090			1	1,090	Welsh	1	98			1	98
Italian and Portuguese	1	64	1	64			International Apostolic Holiness Church:						
Italian and Syrian	1	1,519			1	1,519	Dutch	2	35			2	35
Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish	1	60			1	60	Jacobite Church (Assyrian):						
Japanese	6	684	5	588	1	96	Syrian	15	748	15	748		
Portuguese	1	916			1	916	Jewish congregations	1,537	342,330	1,202	215,421	335	126,959
Scandinavian							Arabic and Hebrew	3	295	3	295		
Danish	2	193			2	193	German and Hebrew	15	4,048	10	1,948	5	2,700
Danish and Norwegian	1	26	1	26			German, Hebrew, and Yiddish	1	170			1	170
Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish	1	28			1	28	Hebrew	818	221,326	521	109,491	297	112,335
Norwegian	9	549	5	308	4	241	Hebrew and Yiddish	691	114,814	662	103,269	29	11,545
Norwegian and Swedish	1	11	1	11			Yiddish	9	627	6	418	3	209
Swedish	88	7,018	66	4,689	22	2,329	Latter Day Saints:						
Not specified	6	124			6	124	Church of Jesus Christ	12	6,684			12	6,684
Slavic	1	39	1	39			German	5	2,697			5	2,697
Slovak	3	147			3	147	Indian	2	760			2	760
Spanish	8	1,019	6	269	2	750	Scandinavian—						
Turkish	2	100	2	100			Danish	1	1,231			1	1,231
Welsh	60	7,303	15	1,418	45	5,885	Swedish	1	121			2	1,595
Disciples of Christ	12	1,755	10	900	2	855	Not specified	2	1,595			1	280
Chinese	1	45			1	45	Spanish	1	280			2	349
French	6	1,487	5	677	1	810	Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ	2	349			1	55
Russian	1	29	1	29			Indian	1	55			1	55
Spanish	4	194	4	194			Scandinavian (not specified)	1	294			1	294
Eastern Orthodox Churches:							Lithuanian National Catholic Church:						
Albanian Church—							Lithuanian	7	7,343	7	7,343		
Albanian	2	410	2	410			Lutheran bodies:						
Bulgarian Church	4	1,992	4	1,992			General Synod	229	47,973	83	10,987	145	36,986
Bulgarian	2	1,258	2	1,258			Danish	2	207			2	207
Bulgarian and Slavic	1	300	1	300			German	226	47,580	83	10,987	143	36,593
Slavic	1	434	1	434			Slavic	1	186			1	186
Greek Church (Hellenic)—							United Synod, South	4	1,143			4	1,143
Greek	87	119,871	87	119,871			German	3	813			3	813
Rumanian Church	2	1,994	2	1,994			Swedish	1	330			1	330
Rumanian	1	644	1	644			General Council	1,578	367,498	525	82,352	1,053	285,146
Rumanian and Slavic	1	1,350	1	1,350			German	501	177,468	83	27,168	418	150,300
Russian Church—							German and Swedish	1	202			2	202
Slavic	108	99,406	106	98,394	2	1,012	Italian	2	145			2	145
Serbian Church—							Lettish	2	136	2	136		
Slavic	11	11,191	11	11,191			Magyar	3	395	3	395		
Syrian Church	12	7,230	4	1,920	8	5,310	Rumanian	2	220	2	220		
Arabic	4	1,230	2	1,070	2	160	Slovak	9	1,212	9	1,212		
Arabic and Greek	5	2,900	1	350	4	2,550	Slovenian	3	1,434	3	1,434		
Arabic, Greek, and Russian	3	3,100	1	500	2	2,600	Swedish	1,055	186,286	423	51,787	632	134,499
Evangelical Association	585	47,369	183	9,275	402	38,094	Synodical Conference	3,280	728,533	968	190,795	2,292	537,738
German	581	47,184	180	9,172	401	38,012	Finnish	6	216	6	216		
Italian	4	185	3	103	1	82	German	3,192	714,562	906	179,372	2,286	535,190
Evangelical Protestant Church:							German and Lithuanian	2	209	1	73	1	136
German	37	17,962	5	1,359	32	16,603	German and Polish	6	3,683	2	1,571	4	2,112
Evangelistic associations:							Italian		86		86		
Apostolic Christian Church—							Lettish	5	439	5	439		
German	54	4,766	34	3,248	20	1,518	Lithuanian	5	605	5	605		
Apostolic Faith	3	188			3	188	Polish	5	458	5	458		
Finnish	1	101			1	101	Slovak	39	8,375	38	8,025	1	350
German	1	63			1	63	Norwegian Lutheran Church—						
Swedish	1	24			1	24	Hauge's Synod—						
Church of God as Organized by Christ—							Norwegian	263	23,221	95	7,660	168	15,561
German	7	81	2	17	5	64	Synod for Norwegian Church	920	108,697	333	35,167	587	73,530
Missionary Church—							German	1	300			1	300
German	8	700	1	50	7	650	Scandinavian—						
Friends:							Danish	12	1,299			12	1,299
Friends (Orthodox)—							Danish and Norwegian	5	250			5	250
Japanese and Spanish	4	1,224			4	1,224	Norwegian	899	108,760	333	35,167	566	71,563
Friends (Wilburite)—							Swedish	2	64			2	64
Norwegian	1	92			1	92	Not specified	1	34			1	34
German Evangelical Synod:							United Norwegian Church	1,379	172,373	530	55,405	849	116,968
German	1,274	329,983	527	85,172	747	244,811	German	1	30			1	30
Independent churches	77	11,832	46	6,547	31	5,285	Scandinavian—						
Armenian and Turkish	1	30	1	30			Danish	2	533	1	400	1	133
Bohemian	1	443	1	443			Danish and Norwegian	2	66	1	58	1	8
Dutch	5	1,023	4	679	1	344	Norwegian	1,368	171,474	526	54,890	842	116,554
Finnish	6	500	6	500			Norwegian and Swedish	1	55			1	55
German	27	4,374	12	1,720	15	2,654	Not specified	5	215	2	57	3	158
German and Italian	1	834			1	834	Joint Synod of Ohio	570	130,012	191	25,193	379	104,819
German and Polish	1	194			1	194	German	568	129,433	190	25,089	378	104,344
German, Italian, and Yiddish	1	527	1	527			German and Slavic	1	475			1	475
German, Magyar, and Slovak	1	500	1	500			Norwegian	1	104	1	104		
Italian	3	988	4	441			Synod of Buffalo—						
Japanese	4	441	2	111			German	37	6,038	14	2,585	23	3,503
Russian	2	111	1	300			Eielsen's Synod—						
Russian and Slavic	1	300	1	300			Norwegian	19	1,163	11	608	8	555
Scandinavian—							Synod of Iowa—						
Danish and Norwegian	2	116			2	116	German	809	123,669	458	57,205	351	66,464
Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish	1	22	1	22									
Norwegian	4	273	3	250	1	23							

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 29.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES ONLY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH, BY DENOMINATIONS AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGES: 1916—Continued.

DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.						DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.					
	Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.			Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.	
	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.		Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.
Lutheran bodies—Continued.							Methodist bodies—Continued.						
Danish Lutheran Church—							Methodist Episcopal—Continued.						
Danish	99	14,439	88	12,890	11	1,549	Persian	1	301			1	301
Icelandic Synod—							Polish	3	795	1	60	2	735
Danish	14	1,830	11	1,542	3	288	Polish and Slavic	1	110	1	110		
Immanuel Synod	11	2,878	5	1,493	6	1,385	Portuguese	5	244	1	23	4	221
French	1	11	1	11			Russian	1	200			1	200
German	9	2,787	3	1,402	6	1,385	Scandinavian—						
Norwegian	1	80	1	80			Danish	1	77			1	77
Finnish, Suomi Synod	133	18,852	119	16,955	14	1,897	Danish and Norwegian	39	2,239	32	1,629	7	610
Finnish	132	18,740	118	16,843	14	1,897	Danish, Norwegian, and						
Finnish and Swedish	1	112	1	112			Swedish	1	61			1	61
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian)	357	27,084	195	12,268	162	14,816	Norwegian	78	4,351	50	2,931	28	1,420
Scandinavian—							Norwegian and Swedish	1	48	1	48		
Norwegian	355	26,976	195	12,233	160	14,743	Swedish	245	20,415	131	8,610	114	11,805
Norwegian and Swedish	1	35			1	35	Not specified	4	270	1	3	3	267
Not specified	1	73			35	38	Slovak	3	142			3	142
United Danish Lutheran Church	190	17,094	113	9,871	77	7,223	Spanish	44	1,800	39	1,544	6	316
Scandinavian—							Welsh	2	220	2	220		
Danish	189	17,046	112	9,823	77	7,223	Methodist Protestant—						
Not specified	1	48	1	48			German	1	152			1	152
Finnish Lutheran National Church—							Wesleyan Methodist Connection—						
Finnish	61	7,701	61	7,701			Indian	1	61			1	61
Apostolic Lutheran Church (Finnish)	47	6,664	46	6,590	1	74	Methodist Episcopal, South	152	9,642	121	5,706	31	3,936
Finnish	45	6,315	45	6,315			Dutch, French, and German	1	237			1	237
Finnish and Norwegian	1	275	1	275			French	6	624	2	110	4	514
Finnish and Swedish	1	74			1	74	German	17	1,444	5	352	12	1,092
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian)	23	892	18	622	5	270	Indian	72	2,539	67	2,535	5	304
Scandinavian—							Italian	1	6			1	6
Norwegian	20	850	15	580	5	270	Italian and Spanish	1	70			1	70
Not specified	3	42	3	42			Japanese	4	100	4	100		
Jehovah Conference—							Korean	5	207	5	207		
German	6	831	4	465	2	366	Spanish	45	4,115	38	2,402	7	1,713
<b>Mennonite bodies:</b>							Free Methodist	6	269			6	269
Mennonite Church	80	17,003	6	275	74	16,728	German	3	246			3	246
Bohemian	1	75			1	75	Japanese	2	13			2	13
German	79	16,928	6	275	73	16,653	Swedish	1	10			1	10
Hutterian Brethren—							African Methodist Episcopal—						
German	17	982	17	982			Indian	1	50			1	50
Conservative Amish—							<b>Moravian bodies:</b>						
German	13	1,066	10	648	3	418	Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum)	35	10,036	35	10,036		
Old Order Amish—							German	32	9,410	32	9,410		
German	85	7,442	84	7,257	1	185	Scandinavian—						
Church of God in Christ—							Danish	1	459	1	459		
German	21	1,125	5	118	16	1,007	Norwegian	1	159	1	159		
Old Order Mennonite (Wisler)—							Spanish	1	8	1	8		
German	22	1,608	2	47	20	1,561	Bohemian and Moravian Brethren—						
Reformed Mennonite—							Bohemian	23	1,714	23	1,714		
German	6	778			6	778	Independent Bohemian and Moravian Brethren—						
General Conference of Mennonites	81	12,282	43	6,289	38	5,993	Bohemian	3	320	3	320		
German	73	12,011	41	6,211	32	5,800	New Apostolic Church	18	3,662	11	2,282	7	2,380
Indian	8	271	2	78	6	193	Dutch	2	170	2	170		
Defenseless Mennonites—							German	10	3,492	9	1,112	7	2,380
German	7	664			7	664	<b>Nonsectarian Churches of Bible Faith:</b>						
Mennonite Brethren in Christ—							German	2	1,018			2	1,018
German	15	935			15	935	Old Catholic Churches in America:						
Mennonite Brethren Church	43	5,034	31	3,511	12	1,523	Old Roman Catholic Church	10	3,850	10	3,850		
German	41	4,933	30	3,464	11	1,469	Italian	1	75	1	75		
Indian	1	54			1	54	Lithuanian	1	200	1	200		
Russian	1	47	1	47			Lithuanian and Polish	1	325	1	325		
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde—							Polish	3	1,700	3	1,700		
German	11	839	10	795	1	44	Portuguese	3	550	3	550		
Kleine Gemeinde—							Russian	1	1,000	1	1,000		
German	3	171	3	171			Catholic Church of North America	5	8,300	4	7,700	1	600
Central Conference of Mennonites							Italian	3	7,400	3	7,400		
German	5	781			5	781	Polish	1	300	1	300		
Conference of Defenseless Mennonites—							Slavic	1	600			1	600
German	12	1,141	9	684	3	457	Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene	6	176	2	45	3	131
Stauffer Mennonites—							Dutch	1	65			1	65
German	5	209	5	209			German	1	15	1	15		
<b>Methodist bodies:</b>							Indian	1	10			1	10
Methodist Episcopal	1,250	111,650	600	42,519	650	69,131	Norwegian	1	30	1	30		
Armenian	3	1,216			3	1,216	Spanish	1	56			1	56
Armenian and German	1	241			1	241	<b>Polish National Catholic Church:</b>						
Bohemian	10	2,589	3	199	7	2,390	Polish	32	27,659	32	27,659		
Bohemian, Polish, and Slovak	1	24			1	24	<b>Presbyterian bodies:</b>						
Chinese	9	372	4	85	5	287	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America	438	68,838	213	18,106	225	50,732
Chinese, German, Italian, Russian, and Yiddish	1	350			1	350	Armenian	7	1,522	3	150	4	1,372
Finnish	6	338	6	338			Bohemian	40	5,521	22	1,648	18	3,873
French	8	830	2	122	6	708	Bohemian and Chinese	1	64	1	64		
German	680	61,285	290	22,785	396	38,500	Bohemian and Ruthenian	1	1,113			1	1,113
Greek	1	180			1	180	Bohemian, German, Italian, and Magyar	1	908			1	908
Indian	17	1,357	1	73	16	1,234	Chinese	5	449	3	176	2	273
Italian	53	8,499	17	2,483	36	6,016	Dutch	8	2,759	2	236	6	2,523
Italian and Polish	1	93			1	93	Finnish	1	1			1	1
Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish	1	387			1	387	Finnish and Italian	1	352			1	352
Japanese	23	2,558	18	1,256	5	1,300	French	9	1,431	3	207	6	1,224

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	Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.			Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.	
	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.		Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.
Presbyterian bodies—Continued.							Roman Catholic Church—Contd.						
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.—Continued.							Arabic and Greek.	1	500				
French and Italian.	2	245	1	150	1	95	Arabic and Spanish.	1	400	1	400		
Gaelic.	2	380			2	380	Arabic and Syrian.	13	6,462	11	5,487	2	975
German.	128	10,811	51	5,928	77	10,883	Armenian.	1	90	1	90		
Indian.	65	4,298	37	1,794	28	2,504	Belgian.	9	3,874	2	648	7	2,226
Indian and Spanish.	2	171	1	108	1	63	Belgian and French.	1	100			1	100
Italian.	52	17,969	11	805	41	17,164	Belgian and Indian.	1	225			1	225
Italian and Polish.	1	134			1	134	Belgian, French, and German.	2	665	1	300	1	365
Italian and Russian.	1	430			1	430	Belgian, French, and Polish.	1	123			1	123
Italian and Spanish.	1	663			1	663	Belgian, French, German, Polish, and Slavic.	1	2,010			1	2,010
Italian, Magyar, Russian, and Ruthenian.	1	585			1	585	Bohemian.	178	133,911	76	67,827	102	66,084
Japanese.	11	1,080	8	680	3	400	Bohemian and French.	1	276			1	276
Korean.	1	386			1	386	Bohemian and German.	61	38,522	11	11,216	50	27,306
Magyar.	25	5,422	13	2,604	12	2,818	Bohemian and Polish.	2	778			2	778
Persian and Syrian.	1	83	1	83			Bohemian and Spanish.	4	2,501			4	2,501
Polish.	1	60	1	60			Bohemian, Croatian, French, German, and Lithuanian.	1	350			1	350
Portuguese.	1	510			1	510	Bohemian, Croatian, French, German, Italian, and Polish.	1	946			1	946
Russian.	1	25	1	25			Bohemian, Croatian, German, and Polish.	1	2,600			1	2,600
Ruthenian.	2	779			2	779	Bohemian, Croatian, German, Italian, Polish, Slovak, and Slovenian.	1	2,355			1	2,355
Scandinavian—							Bohemian, Dutch, and German.	1	1,500			1	1,500
Norwegian.	1	12			1	12	Bohemian, French, and German.	2	2,504			2	2,504
Swedish.	3	97			3	97	Bohemian, French, German, and Polish.	1	336			1	336
Slavic.	1	92	1	92			Bohemian, German, and Polish.	6	2,223	2	525	4	1,698
Slovak.	2	111	2	111			Bohemian, German, and Slovak.	1	753			1	753
Spanish.	51	3,078	48	2,955	3	123	Bohemian, German, and Spanish.	1	200			1	200
Syrian.	2	768	1	118	1	650	Bohemian, German, Italian, Polish, and Slovak.	1	1,037			1	1,037
Welsh.	5	496	2	112	3	384	Bohemian, German, Polish, and Syrian.	1	559			1	559
Yiddish.	1	33			1	33	Bohemian, Italian, and Slovak.	1	300			1	300
Cumberland Presbyterian.	13	315	9	167	4	148	Bohemian, Polish, and Slovak.	1	4,000			1	4,000
Chinese.	1	96			1	96	Bohemian, Polish, and Slovenian.	1	524	1	524		
Indian.	12	219	9	167	3	52	Croatian.	19	42,793	14	33,419	5	9,374
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist—							Croatian and Italian.	1	531			1	531
Welsh.	122	14,140	24	2,219	98	11,921	Croatian and Polish.	1	90	1	90		
United Presbyterian.	16	820	4	234	12	586	Croatian and Slavic.	3	4,900	3	4,900		
French.	1	135	1	135			Croatian and Slovak.	1	2,000			1	2,000
German.	1	70			1	70	Croatian and Slovenian.	2	4,341	1	991	1	3,350
Indian.	1	104			1	104	Croatian and Spanish.	1	300			1	300
Italian.	13	511	3	99	10	412	Croatian, French, Slovak, and Slovenian.	1	1,000	1	1,000		
Presbyterian Church in the United States.	41	4,080	32	1,629	9	2,451	Croatian, German, and Polish.	1	46			1	46
Bohemian.	1	80	1	80			Croatian, German, Polish, and Ruthenian.	1	600			1	600
French.	2	331			2	331	Croatian, Italian, Polish, Slovak, and Slovenian.	1	150	1	150		
German.	2	420	1	5	1	415	Croatian, Lithuanian, and Polish.	1	1,300			1	1,300
Indian.	11	429	8	224	3	205	Croatian, Polish, Russian, Slavic, and Slovak.	1	1,398	1	1,398		
Italian.	4	1,612	1	112	3	1,500	Croatian, Polish, Slovak, and Slovenian.	1	2,120	1	2,120	19	20,223
Spanish.	21	1,208	21	1,208			Dutch.	19	20,223			6	4,770
Reformed Presbyterian Synod—							Dutch and German.	6	4,770			1	1,401
Indian.	1	100			1	100	Dutch, French, and German.	1	1,401				
Protestant Episcopal Church.	121	26,465	49	3,611	72	22,854	Dutch, French, German, and Indian.	1	180			1	180
Armenian.	2	321	1	164	1	157	Dutch, German, Indian, and Polish.	1	184			1	184
Armenian, Chinese, and Swedish.	1	3,452			1	3,452	Flemish.	1	84			2	84
Chinese.	1	26	1	26			Flemish and French.	2	4,948			1	4,948
Chinese and Italian.	1	9,101			1	9,101	Flemish, French, and German.	1	293			1	293
French.	3	993	3	405	2	993	French.	699	1,026,946	200	478,255	490	548,711
German.	1	1,071			1	1,071	French and German.	59	39,598	2	1,000	57	37,996
German, Russian, and Swedish.	80	4,031	38	1,949	42	2,102	French and Italian.	1	100			1	100
Indian.	21	5,411	2	178	19	5,233	French and Polish.	14	24,827	1	1,143	13	23,684
Italian.	1	35			1	35	French and Portuguese.	17	17,226	2	570	15	16,656
Japanese.	1	65	1	65			French and Spanish.	4	3,514			4	3,514
Lithuanian, Polish, and Ruthenian.	1	309			1	309	French and Swedish.	4	2,420			4	2,420
Magyar.	6	1,045	3	734	3	311	French, German, and Indian.	4	2,443			4	2,443
Reformed bodies:							French, German, and Italian.	9	19,619			9	19,619
Reformed in America.	264	43,774	72	8,390	192	35,384	French, German, and Magyar.	1	4,000			1	4,000
Dutch.	182	31,207	31	3,974	151	27,233	French, German, and Polish.	7	3,212			7	3,212
German.	70	10,173	35	3,843	35	6,330	French, German, and Spanish.	1	92			1	92
Indian.	5	958	1	102	4	766	French, German, Italian, and Polish.	1	578			1	578
Italian.	3	1,122	1	67	2	1,055	French, German, Lithuanian, and Polish.	1	1,200			1	1,200
Japanese.	1	65			1	65	French, German, Polish, and Slovak.	1	1,000			1	1,000
Magyar.	3	249	3	249			French, Italian, and Polish.	2	1,059			2	1,059
Reformed in the United States.	615	141,322	172	20,053	443	120,364	French, Italian, and Slovak.	1	1,723			1	1,723
Bohemian.	2	164			1	164	French, Italian, and Spanish.	2	7,600			2	7,600
Dutch.	595	136,737	158	17,685	437	119,052	French, Italian, Polish, and Slovenian.	1	936			1	936
German.	1	420			1	420							
German and Magyar.	1	23			1	23							
Indian.	1	106	1	106									
Japanese.	14	3,770	12	3,106	2	664							
Magyar.	203	34,376	151	25,580	52	8,796							
Christian Reformed.	191	33,353	143	24,990	48	8,363							
Dutch.	3	233			3	233							
Dutch and German.	8	688	5	357	3	331							
German.	1	102			1	102							
Indian.	46	9,851	46	9,851									
Hungarian Reformed.	43	8,673	43	8,673									
Magyar.	3	1,178	3	1,178									
Magyar and Slavic.	3	7,677	2,230	3,306	3,846	4,370,732							
Roman Catholic Church.	6,076	1,600	1	1,600									
Albanian, Greek, and Italian.	1	2,218	1	2,218									
Arabic.	6												

1 Whether Flemish or French not specified.

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TABLE 29.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES ONLY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH, BY DENOMINATIONS AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGES: 1916—Continued.

ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.							ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SERVICES CONDUCTED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES.						
DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.		DENOMINATION AND SPECIFIED LANGUAGE.	Total.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.	
	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.		Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.
<b>Roman Catholic Church—Contd.</b>							<b>Roman Catholic Church—Contd.</b>						
French, Lithuanian, and Polish	2	1,758			2	1,758	Polish and Slovak	7	5,990	3	590	4	5,400
French, Magyar, and Slovenian	1	3,402			1	3,402	Polish and Slovenian	1	410	1	410		
French, Portuguese, and Spanish	1	1,810	1	1,810			Portuguese	53	87,114	19	52,444	34	34,070
Gaelic, German, and Polish	1	465	1	465			Portuguese and Spanish	2	2,007	1	1,020	1	1,587
German	1,890	1,672,890	206	191,347	1,684	1,481,343	Rumanian	8	11,813	6	6,613	2	6,200
German and Greek	1	429			1	429	Russian	6	3,255	6	3,255		
German and Indian	5	1,442			5	1,442	Russian and Slavic	3	2,766	3	2,766		
German and Italian	19	52,269	2	8,569	17	43,700	Russian and Slovenian	1	980	1	980		
German and Lithuanian	2	10,000	1	5,000	1	5,000	Ruthenian	45	51,292	44	49,475	1	1,817
German and Magyar	6	5,499	3	1,993	3	3,506	Ruthenian and Slavic	24	22,918	24	22,918		
German and Polish	34	24,039	2	877	32	23,162	Ruthenian and Slovak	1	650	1	650		
German and Russian	1	437			1	437	Serbian	1	152			1	152
German and Slavic	3	2,952	1	1,000	2	1,952	Slavic	113	118,264	98	106,927	15	11,337
German and Slovak	2	8,200			2	8,200	Slavic and Slovak	1	580			1	580
German and Slovenian	2	459	1	115	1	344	Slovak	109	125,687	69	78,447	40	47,240
German and Spanish	16	9,848	5	2,683	11	7,265	Slovak and Slovenian	1	800	1	800		
German and Syrian	1	525	1	525			Slovenian	67	93,998	29	42,477	38	51,519
German, Indian, and Polish	1	1,399			1	1,399	Spanish	841	552,244	530	278,748	311	273,496
German, Italian, and Slovak	1	300			1	300	Syrian	20	14,187	17	8,705	3	5,482
German, Italian, and Slovenian	1	534			1	534	Salvation Army	74	3,364	71	3,267	3	97
German, Italian, Magyar, Polish, and Slavic	1	500			1	500	Chinese	1	44			1	44
German, Italian, Polish, and Slavic	1	2,000			1	2,000	German	1	39			1	39
German, Italian, Polish, and Spanish	1	387			1	387	Italian	1	32	1	32		
German, Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish	1	1,200	1	1,200			Scandinavian—	50	2,276	50	2,276		
German, Magyar, and Slavic	2	1,140	1	40	1	1,100	Swedish	20	959	20	959		
German, Magyar, Polish, and Slavic	2	1,808			2	1,808	Not specified	1	14			1	14
German, Magyar, Polish, and Syrian	1	600			1	600	Spanish	1	14				
German, Polish, and Slavic	3	1,316	1	16	2	1,300	Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:						
German, Polish, Slovak, and Slovenian	1	1,015			1	1,015	Swedish Mission Covenant	316	29,136	245	19,207	71	9,929
Greek	6	2,925			6	2,925	Norwegian and Swedish	1	13	1	13		
Greek and Syrian	2	600	2	600			Swedish	315	29,123	244	19,194	71	9,929
Greek, Ruthenian, and Slavic	1	280	1	280			Swedish Free Church	100	6,112	69	4,461	31	1,651
Indian	100	26,402	39	5,839	61	20,563	Scandinavian—	96	6,044	66	4,402	30	1,642
Indian and Polish	1	325			1	325	Swedish	4	68	3	59	1	9
Indian and Spanish	1	375			1	375	Not specified	32	2,444	11	448	21	1,996
Italian	476	1,515,818	149	420,511	327	1,095,307	Scandinavian—	2	175			2	175
Italian and Lithuanian	2	3,565			2	3,565	Danish	1	17			1	17
Italian and Magyar	2	305			2	305	Danish and Norwegian	2	98			2	98
Italian and Polish	15	12,117	1	75	14	12,042	Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish	22	1,997	8	346	14	1,651
Italian and Portuguese	7	10,648			7	10,648	Not specified	5	157	3	102	2	55
Italian and Slavic	2	2,523			2	2,523	Schwenkfelders:						
Italian and Slovak	2	813			2	813	German	2	744			2	744
Italian and Slovenian	3	6,200	1	600	2	5,600	Spiritualists:						
Italian and Spanish	3	5,120			3	5,120	Spiritualists (National Association)	20	1,448	3	116	17	1,332
Italian, Lithuanian, and Magyar	1	7,550			1	7,550	French	1	157			1	157
Italian, Lithuanian, and Polish	2	5,932	1	559	1	5,373	German	15	1,153			15	1,153
Italian, Lithuanian, and Slovak	1	970			1	970	Magyar	4	138	3	116	1	22
Italian, Lithuanian, Magyar, and Polish	1	2,500			1	2,500	Temple Society—						
Italian, Magyar, and Polish	1	360			1	360	German	1	98			1	98
Italian, Polish, and Slavic	1	575			1	575	Theosophical societies:						
Italian, Polish, and Syrian	1	2,800			1	2,800	Theosophical Society, American						
Italian, Portuguese, and Spanish	1	650			1	650	Section	4	93	4	93		
Italian, Slovak, and Spanish	1	2,500	1	2,500			Finnish	2	42	2	42		
Japanese	1	75			1	75	Scandinavian (not specified)	1	40	1	40		
Lithuanian	96	150,277	87	140,144	9	10,133	Spanish	1	11	1	11		
Lithuanian and Polish	13	16,571	9	12,425	4	4,146	Unitarians	6	540	6	540		
Lithuanian and Slovak	1	996			1	996	Finnish	2	115	2	115		
Lithuanian, Polish, and Slavic	2	1,744	1	894	1	850	Scandinavian—						
Lithuanian, Polish, and Slovenian	1	500			1	500	Norwegian	2	400	2	400		
Magyar	48	68,315	32	44,404	16	21,911	Swedish	2	25	2	25		
Magyar and Polish	3	1,060			3	1,060	United Brethren bodies:						
Magyar and Rumanian	1	300	1	300			United Brethren in Christ	40	5,764	0	922	31	4,842
Magyar and Ruthenian	4	4,900	4	4,900			Dutch	2	114			2	114
Magyar and Slavic	12	9,910	6	6,472	6	3,438	French	1	37			1	37
Magyar and Slovak	2	2,100			2	2,100	German	37	5,613	9	922	28	4,691
Magyar, Polish, and Slavic	3	2,575	1	56	2	2,519	United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution)—						
Magyar, Polish, and Slovak	1	1,600			1	1,600	Chinese	1	72			1	72
Magyar, Serbian, and Slovak	1	4,380			1	4,380	United Evangelical Church:						
Polish	735	1,425,193	466	1,165,064	269	280,129	German	49	5,788	3	30	46	5,758
Polish and Slavic	10	11,289	5	6,700	5	4,589	Volunteers of America	4	1,115			4	1,115
							German	1	45			1	45
							Hebrew and Italian	1	520			1	520
							Indian	1	500			1	500
							Scandinavian (not specified)	1	50			1	50

In this table it is shown that, of the 26,239 organizations, with 11,329,487 members, which reported the use of a foreign language, 11,684 organizations with 4,756,231 members use the specified foreign

language or languages only, while 14,555 organizations, with 6,573,256 members use English also. It thus appears that only 5.1 per cent of the total number of organizations in the United States, and only 11.3



per cent of the total number of members are reported as using foreign languages only in church services. This is a considerably smaller percentage than was shown for 1906, the figures for that year showing 7.9 per cent of the organizations and 15.9 per cent of the members using foreign languages only.

This reduction in the number of organizations using foreign languages only in conducting services is brought

out very clearly in Table 30, which presents, for each denomination showing 25,000 or more members belonging to organizations using a foreign language in 1916, the number of organizations and members using foreign languages only and the number using both foreign languages and English. This table is drawn from Table 29 and gives, in addition, corresponding figures for 1906, and the increase or decrease between the two censuses.

TABLE 30.—COMPARISON OF ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES ONLY AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND ENGLISH, FOR SELECTED DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

DENOMINATION.	1916				1906				INCREASE? 1906-1916.			
	Organizations reporting services conducted in—				Organizations reporting services conducted in—							
	Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.		Foreign languages only.		Foreign languages and English.	
	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.	Organizations.	Members.
All denominations.....	11,684	4,766,231	14,555	6,573,256	16,688	5,503,384	7,906	3,773,555	-5,004	-807,153	6,640	2,799,701
Armenian Church.....	84	27,450			71	19,554			-37	-7,896		
Baptists—Northern Baptist Convention.....	392	84,309	321	49,644	548	46,669	114	20,023	-156	-12,360	207	29,621
Congregational Churches.....	309	22,227	188	23,680	341	23,845	125	14,839	-32	-1,118	13	8,791
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	87	119,871			334	90,751			-247	-29,120		
Russian Church.....	166	98,394	2	1,012	51	14,013	8	5,095	115	84,881	-6	-4,086
Evangelical Association.....	183	9,275	402	88,004	554	33,797	363	25,730	-371	-24,522	39	12,364
German Evangelical Synod.....	527	85,172	747	244,811	952	201,137	236	87,556	-425	-115,965	511	157,255
Jewish congregations.....	1,202	215,421	335	126,959	752	58,988	199	23,856	450	156,433	136	103,103
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	83	10,987	146	36,986	145	17,508	117	28,879	-62	-6,519	29	8,107
General Council.....	525	82,352	1,053	285,146	984	186,401	602	235,167	-459	-104,049	451	49,979
Synodical Conference.....	968	190,795	2,292	537,788	2,433	450,734	714	171,505	-1,465	-285,030	1,573	369,283
Synod for Norwegian.....	333	35,167	587	73,530	601	64,751	301	41,642	-268	-24,584	280	31,888
United Norwegian Church.....	530	55,405	849	116,988	807	119,802	329	60,867	-277	-64,397	320	53,101
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	191	25,193	379	104,810	351	50,040	255	54,683	-160	-24,847	124	50,136
Synod of Iowa.....	468	67,205	351	66,464	722	92,113	97	16,779	-264	-34,908	254	49,685
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	195	12,268	182	14,816	275	21,815	44	5,049	-80	-9,547	118	9,767
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	800	42,519	650	69,131	1,223	84,530	173	14,874	-623	-42,011	478	54,257
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	32	27,659			24	15,473			8	12,186		
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	213	18,106	225	50,732	269	20,635	107	21,271	-56	-2,529	118	29,461
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	49	3,011	72	22,854	89	6,337	88	18,768	-40	-2,726	-16	3,086
Reformed Church in the United States.....	72	8,390	192	35,384	115	13,841	107	18,523	-43	-5,451	85	16,861
Christian Reformed Church.....	172	20,958	443	120,364	280	41,574	434	105,621	-88	-20,016	9	14,743
Roman Catholic Church.....	151	25,580	52	8,796	146	24,058	7	1,077	5	1,522	45	7,719
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	2,230	3,300,439	3,840	4,370,732	2,173	3,605,219	2,535	2,679,514	54	-238,780	1,311	1,661,218
	245	19,207	71	9,929	274	20,351	5	384	-29	-1,144	66	9,545

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> In 1906, heads of families only.

Of the 25 denominations included in this presentation, all but 5 show a decrease in the number of organizations using a foreign language only, and all but 6 show a decrease in the membership of such organizations. It is to be noted that these exceptions are largely denominations which have come into existence in the United States to meet the needs of natives of those countries which have contributed the larger part of the immigration of recent years. With regard to the Armenian, Greek, Russian, and Polish organizations, it is to be remembered that the priests conducting services are practically all natives of those lands, have never had English education, and even if the congregation understood English the priests would not be able to conduct services in it. The same is true measurably of the Jewish congregations, especially those composed of more recently arrived immigrants.

In the Evangelical Association, established originally to provide services in German for Methodists who did not understand English, the number of organizations reporting only German dropped from 554 in 1906 to 180 in 1916, a loss of 374, while the number of organizations reporting a foreign language and English rose from 363 in 1906 to 402 in 1916, a gain of 39; it would appear probable that the balance between the loss and gain passed into the "English only" class.

The German Evangelical Synod of North America<sup>1</sup> reported 527 organizations using German only in 1916 against 952 in 1906, and 747 using German and English in 1916 against 236 in 1906. Of the Lutheran bodies which have been especially interested in providing foreign language services, the General Council

<sup>1</sup> The term "German" has been dropped from the title, though official action awaits the meeting of the General Synod in 1920.

has dropped from 984 to 525 in number of organizations using a foreign language only (chiefly Swedish or German); the Synodical Conference from 2,433 to 968 (almost entirely German); and the Synod of Iowa from 722 to 458 (all German). In each of these bodies there has been a corresponding increase in the number of organizations reporting a foreign language and English, and in each case a comparatively small balance of organizations that have passed into the class using English only, or have met new needs of immigration by the use of both languages. Another notable decrease is shown by the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The average membership of the organizations which use the specified foreign languages and English was in 1916 usually larger than that of the organizations reporting specified foreign languages only, the table indicating for the denominations, as a whole, an average of 452 members for the former and 407 for the latter. A notable exception is in the Roman Catholic Church, where the average membership of the organizations using the specified foreign languages only was 1,483, while the average of those which use the specified foreign languages and English was 1,136. A partial explanation of this is found in the fact that a considerable number of Roman Catholic organizations using foreign languages only report a very large membership. Thus a Bohemian parish in Maryland reports 6,000 members, and two Polish parishes a total of 10,150 members, an average of 5,075; a Lithuanian parish in Ohio reports 6,000 members, while in New York 12 Italian parishes aggregate 95,259 members, an average of 7,938. Similar conditions exist elsewhere and indicate large non-English speaking communities provided in each case with a single church which, with its numerous services, meets the needs of the community.

Table 29 brings out more clearly, perhaps, than in any other way, the cosmopolitan character of the population of the United States. Undoubtedly some languages not listed are spoken by individuals, but the fact that these have a definite place in the religious service of so many communities is of the greatest significance. Scarcely less significant, moreover, than the variety of languages used is the combination of languages in use in the same local organization. Some combinations seem natural, as when one language is evidently that of the liturgy and the other that of the address, as Slavic and Serbian, or when two cognate languages are used, as Norwegian and Swedish, but such combinations as "Chinese, German, Italian, Russian, Yiddish, and English," or "German, Italian, Polish, Spanish, and English" illustrate very vividly the cosmopolitan character of the congregations. This is particularly noticeable in

the Roman Catholic Church and in those Protestant bodies which are more closely identified with evangelistic work among the foreign population.

In Table 31 the languages reported are arranged alphabetically, and the number of denominations and of organizations, with membership, reporting them, whether alone or in conjunction with some other language, are given for 1916 and 1906, respectively. Since many organizations report the use of two or more languages it is evident that there is much duplication in the figures. The classification of languages is in accord with that used for mother tongues in the general census reports, and is practically the same as that of 1906. In the few instances of variation the figures for 1906 have been changed.

From this table it appears that German was the leading foreign language used in church services in 1916, as it was reported by the largest number of denominations comprising the largest number of organizations and members. This was also true in 1906. The language reported by the next highest number of denominations was Italian, which was second to the German in number of members but not of organizations, due probably to its use in the Roman Catholic Church, which, as was noted in connection with Table 29, is inclined to have a very large average membership per organization. Other languages used by more than 1,000,000 members were Polish and French, but they were exceeded in number of denominations reporting by the Swedish, American Indian, and Norwegian.

Only 5 languages showed a decrease from 1906 to 1916 in the number of members reported as using them—Bohemian, from 236,325 to 210,492; French, from 1,363,641 to 1,190,436; Indian (American), from 64,051 to 56,984; Norwegian, from 357,865 to 344,844; and Welsh, from 28,948 to 26,574.

Taken as a whole, the table shows the same tendency among the more important languages that was indicated among the larger denominations in Table 29—a decrease in the number of organizations and members using foreign languages only and an increase in the number using them in connection with English. The exceptions are found in those languages used by the more recent class of immigrants to this country.

Five languages which were not reported as being used by any denomination in 1906, but were reported by one or more denominations in 1916, were Albanian, Bulgarian, Korean, Persian, and Turkish. One language (Montenegrin) reported in 1906, was not reported as being used in 1916.

Table 32 presents a geographic distribution, by divisions and states, of the organizations and members reporting the use of foreign languages in 1916 and 1906, and the number of languages reported.

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TABLE 31.—ORGANIZATIONS AND MEMBERS USING FOREIGN LANGUAGES ALONE OR IN COMBINATION WITH OTHER LANGUAGES, FOR EACH SPECIFIED FOREIGN LANGUAGE: 1916 AND 1906.

LANGUAGE.	Number of denomi-nations report-ing.	1916						Number of denomi-nations report-ing.	1906					
		Organizations reporting services conducted in foreign languages.							Organizations reporting services conducted in foreign languages.					
		Total.		Specified lan-guage only.		Specified lan-guage and other language or lan-guages (including English).			Total.		Specified lan-guage only.		Specified lan-guage and other language or lan-guages (including English).	
		Organi-zations.	Mem-bers.	Organi-zations.	Mem-bers.	Organi-zations.	Mem-bers.		Organi-zations.	Mem-bers. <sup>1</sup>	Organi-zations.	Mem-bers. <sup>1</sup>	Organi-zations.	Mem-bers. <sup>1</sup>
Albanian.....	2	3	2,010	2	410	1	1,600	4	12	4,940	2	330	10	4,610
Arabic.....	3	36	17,105	8	3,288	28	13,817	5	86	25,274	77	19,971	9	6,303
Armenian.....	8	62	40,163	42	28,173	20	11,990	1	2	5,875	1	5,000	1	875
Belgian <sup>2</sup> .....	2	10	7,041	2	648	14	6,393	9	269	236,325	160	135,647	109	100,678
Bohemian.....	12	362	210,492	133	73,065	229	137,427							
Bulgarian.....	1	3	1,558	2	1,258	1	300							
Chinese.....	9	32	17,361	11	413	21	16,948	10	88	4,854	78	840	10	4,014
Croatian.....	1	39	67,820	14	33,419	25	34,401	2	29	46,180	9	18,288	20	27,898
Dutch.....	14	431	97,432	183	30,100	248	67,733	8	344	81,559	223	36,313	121	45,216
Flemish.....	1	4	5,825			4	5,325							
Finnish (includes Estonian).....	13	290	36,150	264	32,095	26	3,156	9	266	32,648	255	31,551	11	1,097
French.....	21	927	1,190,436	232	480,623	695	709,813	15	889	1,363,641	287	669,041	602	694,600
Gaelic.....	2	3	845			3	845	1	2	69			2	69
German (includes Austrian).....	84	12,242	3,923,628	3,890	710,168	8,362	3,213,460	78	13,038	3,898,615	8,015	1,857,031	5,023	2,041,544
Greek.....	4	108	132,386	87	119,871	21	12,514	6	363	117,939	337	107,851	26	19,088
Hebrew.....	2	1,529	342,273	521	109,491	1,008	232,782	3	946	82,237	746	58,559	200	23,678
Indian (American).....	24	542	56,984	317	18,058	225	38,926	27	524	64,051	231	16,952	223	47,099
Italian.....	26	810	1,773,705	202	432,596	608	1,341,109	13	457	1,100,580	208	534,899	249	565,711
Japanese.....	13	72	14,401	54	8,982	18	5,419	6	35	4,846	30	3,690	5	1,156
Korean.....	2	6	593	5	207	1	386							
Lettish.....	5	13	3,190	10	864	3	2,326	3	10	683	10	683		
Lithuanian.....	6	145	214,025	100	148,292	45	65,733	3	71	123,315	55	96,362	16	26,053
Magyar (includes Hungarian).....	13	214	146,472	122	60,080	92	86,392	5	82	56,728	61	29,866	21	26,862
Montenegrin.....								1	1	176			1	176
Persian.....	3	4	437			4	437							
Polish.....	13	979	1,613,554	519	1,195,978	460	417,576	8	570	1,017,292	406	825,264	164	192,628
Portuguese.....	7	88	112,054	24	53,039	64	50,015	5	51	70,607	17	37,933	34	32,674
Rumanian.....	6	21	15,659	13	7,901	8	7,783	3	3	3,317			3	3,317
Russian.....	12	41	17,811	19	4,781	22	13,030	2	7	6,923	4	1,816	3	5,107
Ruthenian (includes Little Russian and Ukrainian).....	4	82	83,227	44	40,475	38	33,752	2	24	28,697	15	21,899	9	6,998
Scandinavian:														
Danish (includes Icelandic).....	14	453	46,200	224	25,650	229	20,610	20	478	45,000	372	33,307	106	11,693
Norwegian.....	23	3,172	344,844	1,269	116,647	1,003	228,197	22	2,840	357,865	2,032	236,504	817	121,361
Swedish.....	24	2,271	280,975	1,205	109,743	1,066	180,232	22	2,177	266,603	1,890	205,923	287	60,680
Not specified.....	18	74	4,981	39	1,629	35	3,352	10	51	3,658	26	1,237	25	2,421
Serbian.....	2	3	4,539	1	7	2	4,532	1	1	1,190			1	1,190
Slavic, not specified (includes Wen-dish).....	15	363	307,209	279	217,111	104	90,098	9	165	128,386	96	68,662	69	59,724
Slovak.....	8	214	181,536	123	88,424	61	93,112	7	147	124,834	123	95,615	24	29,219
Slovenian.....	4	64	122,114	34	43,064	60	78,150	1	16	27,066	10	18,304	6	8,762
Spanish (includes Basque and Mex-ican).....	19	1,099	606,201	706	288,244	393	317,957	12	732	445,404	550	274,114	182	171,290
Syrian.....	5	59	28,936	33	9,571	26	19,365	4	26	12,100	14	5,480	12	6,611
Turkish.....	2	3	139	2	100	1	81							
Welsh.....	7	211	26,574	46	4,041	163	22,533	8	286	28,948	132	10,587	154	18,391
Yiddish.....	5	705	110,656	6	418	699	116,235	3	4	419	1	( <sup>3</sup> )	3	419

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation of change in members of the Roman Catholic Church, p. 29.

<sup>2</sup> Whether Flemish or French not specified.

\* Not reported.

## WORK OF DENOMINATIONS IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN FIELDS.

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION.

The statistics relating to work of the denominations were not obtained from the local organizations, but from various denominational boards, societies, etc., through which the local organizations act.

In the early history of the churches of the United States all activities, even those outside their own immediate bounds, were conducted for the most part by the local organizations. Gradually, however, it became evident that this was not the most effective way. At first a few individual churches joined forces, but soon for greater economy and efficiency they formed general societies to which they gave the necessary funds, these societies conducting the work and reporting its results and cost at such meetings as might be arranged. There were several such boards or societies in the Eastern states, whose chief work was among the Indians or in isolated districts, but the first general missionary society was the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, organized in Boston, Mass., in 1810. This board combined work in foreign lands with work for Indians in America, and was supported by the churches of a number of denominations. Subsequently denominational societies were organized, and at the present time almost the entire work of the churches outside the limits of the local church organizations is conducted by them.

This has not been true, however, of the Primitive Baptists, the Plymouth Brethren, Churches of Christ, and some other loosely organized denominations. In the Southern states the term "missionary" is frequently applied to those churches that conduct their missionary work through societies. Certain churches called "antimissionary" are not so much opposed to missionary work in itself as they are to its conduct by organizations outside of the local church, which they fear may acquire some ecclesiastical authority over the churches. In the early history of the Disciples of Christ this was very manifest, and the formation of the two societies for the conduct of their missionary work, home and foreign, was looked upon with great disfavor and was a principal occasion for the refusal of the Churches of Christ to be identified with them. One body, the Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Predestinarian Baptists, is opposed to missionary work on principle as interfering with the prerogative of the Almighty in the election of individuals to salvation. The Plymouth Brethren are active in missionary work, but with them it is conducted on a purely individualistic basis, which permits of no classification or even of report.

For those denominations having no organized societies for conducting activities outside the churches,

it was impracticable to secure information directly from the individual organizations, so application was made to the denominational officers or others who prepared the descriptive statements of history, doctrine, and polity printed in Part II of this report. Sometimes they furnished the information themselves, sometimes they sent in published reports from which the desired facts were collected, and in some cases they gave the names of others from whom information could be obtained. In many instances there was considerable correspondence for the purpose of supplementing or correcting the figures obtained. Such items as are available for tabulation appear in the tables presented in this section, while others are noted in the text descriptions of the work of the denominations in Part II.

In this connection reference should be made to the diversity in the form of organization of these societies in different denominations, which rendered it frequently very difficult to combine in tabular form the data they submitted.

In most of the larger and more thoroughly organized bodies, as the Congregational Churches, the Methodist and Presbyterian bodies, and some of the smaller denominations, the different phases of work are under the care of distinct societies. Thus there is one society for home missions, which combines general evangelism, the erection of church buildings or parsonages, and special evangelistic and educational work among Negroes, Indians, and the foreign-born population; another society for Sunday school organization and the supplying of religious literature; another for the assistance of educational institutions or of students; another for foreign missionary work; besides a considerable number of minor societies for special objects. With the exception of the society for foreign work, these cover largely the same territory and often have similar general aims, but are independent of one another. In some instances, as in the Protestant Episcopal Church, a single general society nominally covers the whole field, but practically a considerable amount of the work in each department is done by diocesan organizations. In the Roman Catholic Church there is no general organization for any one of these various departments, but the religious orders, and sometimes the dioceses, carry on the work on mutually independent lines under general ecclesiastical supervision. In the smaller bodies there is a smaller number of societies, and in a few there is no society at all for the carrying on of general religious, benevolent, or foreign work, all initiative in these directions being taken by individual churches or by the regular ecclesiastical divisions.

Another serious difficulty in tabular presentation arose from the very diverse methods of financial statement. One general purpose of the tables was to show the amount contributed by the churches of the United States for the various departments of missionary and benevolent work during the year under review. The reports received included, however, in many cases, not merely the contributions of the churches, but income from invested funds, fees for tuition, or for treatment in hospitals or asylums, etc. In other instances the figures covered not the exact amount received during the year, but amounts expended or even appropriated for the respective departments of work.

In general, the work of the denominations, whether in the United States or abroad is conducted along three lines—evangelistic, educational, and philanthropic. In the United States these distinctions are reasonably clear, although there is much interlacing of different departments, and the contributions and property value for each are presented. In the foreign

field, however, the entire work in these three departments is under one general direction, the evangelistic type being more pronounced than the educational or philanthropic, and no separate statement of contributions or property is feasible.

#### DOMESTIC WORK.

The following table gives for 1916 and 1906 a statistical presentation of the general missionary, educational, and philanthropic activities carried on in the United States under the auspices of the denominations.

The items include: (1) The contributions classified as missionary, educational, and philanthropic; (2) the number of home missionaries and the number of churches aided; (3) the number of schools of higher grades and of their students; (4) the number of philanthropic institutions and of persons relieved; (5) the value of the property and endowments held for educational and for philanthropic purposes.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 33.—STATISTICS OF MISSIONARY, EDUCATIONAL, AND PHILANTHROPIC

DENOMINATION.	DOMESTIC WORK: 1918.											
	Amount contributed.				Home missions.		Colleges, etc.		Hospitals, etc.		Value of property and endowments.	
	Total.	Home missions.	Educa- tion.	Philan- thropy.	Number of mission- aries.	Number of churches aided.	Num- ber.	Stu- dents.	Num- ber.	In- mates and pa- tients.	Educa- tional.	Philan- thropic.
Total, denominations represented.....	\$46,016,673	\$18,486,499	\$17,888,425	\$9,661,749	27,982	29,283	2,520	456,089	2,394	639,998	\$387,763,922	\$108,508,029
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	27,756	6,000	15,000	6,756	30	50	3	155	2	25	284,000	19,381
Seventh-day Adventist.....	827,705	581,445	194,339	51,921	1,420	.....	37	5,788	20	14,149	1,980,066	2,045,911
Church of God (Adventist).....	3,500	3,500	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Life and Advent Union.....	500	500	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention <sup>1</sup> .....	6,650,883	2,078,400	4,571,983	.....	1,682	3,955	61	22,417	34	.....	77,507,499	2,032,000
Southern Baptist Convention.....	3,408,961	1,074,792	2,424,169	.....	1,507	2,625	116	21,918	23	20,000	23,151,413	2,000,000
National Baptist Convention.....	237,705	17,408	220,297	.....	16	780	115	9,775	.....	.....	1,920,228	.....
Seventh Day Baptists.....	9,590	6,390	3,200	.....	20	30	3	1,041	.....	.....	1,227,585	.....
General Baptists.....	6,400	400	6,000	.....	2	6	1	350	.....	.....	150,000	.....
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	321,098	74,788	246,310	.....	95	115	10	2,684	15	.....	1,504,042	.....
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	12,000	6,000	6,000	.....	10	8	1	225	.....	.....	300,000	10,000
German Seventh Day Baptists.....	1,500	.....	.....	1,500	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	5	.....	.....
Brethren, Plymouth:												
Brethren, Plymouth, I.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Brethren, River:												
Brethren in Christ.....	26,322	5,570	5,300	15,452	22	8	1	110	4	156	32,000	70,000
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....	129,041	114,041	15,000	.....	.....	.....	2	297	.....	.....	130,000	.....
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	20,481	13,481	7,000	.....	30	40	7	1,500	2	.....	1,615,761	30,000
Christian Union.....	4,000	4,000	.....	.....	9	35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Churches of Christ.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	17,830	2,824	15,006	.....	13	24	9	1,782	3	234	375,500	.....
Churches of the New Jerusalem:												
General Convention.....	63,000	20,000	43,000	.....	9	13	3	79	.....	.....	418,880	.....
General Church.....	8,076	7,000	1,076	.....	5	8	1	88	1	.....	1,585,461	.....
Congregational Churches.....	1,200,139	897,153	308,986	.....	2,528	2,804	87	15,150	.....	.....	8,355,479	.....
Disciples of Christ.....	1,076,550	692,186	314,384	170,000	802	424	44	8,545	13	1,050	9,387,046	992,000
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Russian Church.....	16,987	.....	7,987	9,000	.....	.....	2	86	.....	87	50,000	36,500
Evangelical Association.....	234,213	193,922	3,943	36,348	603	619	3	655	7	4,238	667,791	698,906
Evangelical Protestant Church.....	81,600	9,600	72,000	.....	4	10	1	.....	8	260	.....	.....
Evangelistic associations:												
Hepzibah Faith Missionary.....	2,494	.....	2,494	.....	150	.....	1	125	1	.....	20,000	2,000
Metropolitan Church.....	7,000	5,000	2,000	.....	53	10	2	300	1	36	.....	.....
Missionary Church.....	7,500	5,500	2,000	.....	12	12	1	60	.....	.....	75,000	.....
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	800	300	.....	.....	35	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pillar of Fire.....	69,000	25,000	30,000	14,000	250	25	15	200	10	90	250,000	30,000
Friends:												
Friends (Orthodox).....	50,000	50,000	.....	.....	75	45	28	3,747	5	.....	.....	.....
Friends (Hicksite).....	422,089	.....	412,089	10,000	.....	.....	27	3,389	13	271	6,539,859	1,281,599
Friends (Wilburite).....	24,952	.....	24,952	.....	.....	.....	4	200	.....	.....	118,000	.....
German Evangelical Synod.....	227,351	40,390	82,240	104,721	101	150	3	242	21	9,601	435,588	700,000
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	14,900	5,800	3,600	5,500	39	.....	4	177	4	31	25,000	15,000
Jewish congregations.....	1,100,000	.....	100,000	1,000,000	.....	.....	14	1400	148	45,000	.....	.....
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	1,074,118	706,183	354,350	13,585	1,660	145	20	7,470	2	5,104	1,767,558	685,000
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	163,680	120,000	16,791	27,189	754	30	3	318	7	641	82,421	139,005
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	433,464	250,000	121,770	81,694	275	500	11	2,544	10	405	3,657,996	762,000
United Synod, South.....	146,851	30,811	93,000	23,040	51	84	9	1,284	1	104	1,113,220	65,000
General Council.....	1,180,746	477,096	400,000	308,650	372	855	24	3,841	54	18,031	20,741,049	4,811,000
Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	1,111,694	87,564	340,000	684,130	657	1,733	23	3,110	38	13,566	2,701,000	1,983,926
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	51,000	22,000	21,000	8,000	15	25	2	325	2	90	350,000	115,000
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	127,328	42,217	60,111	25,000	96	150	12	1,600	13	625	960,000	130,000
United Norwegian Church.....	179,085	78,443	60,000	40,652	148	106	12	2,407	14	6,526	2,138,580	720,843
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	120,902	55,265	51,337	14,300	120	192	6	530	4	143	497,534	160,000
Synod of Buffalo.....	3,655	1,800	1,855	.....	6	1	1	8	.....	.....	12,000	.....
Kjelsens Synod.....	3,000	2,000	600	500	6	12	1	6	.....	.....	10,000	.....
Synod of Iowa.....	208,703	28,171	42,928	138,204	76	122	6	544	4	1,116	804,724	255,500
Danish Lutheran Church.....	30,269	2,000	13,678	14,591	18	25	5	496	4	97	265,000	125,000
Icelandic Synod.....	5,000	2,000	3,000	.....	4	18	.....	.....	1	25	.....	10,000
Immanuel Synod.....	1,750	1,750	.....	.....	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	22,225	2,235	20,000	.....	4	6	1	128	.....	.....	61,000	.....
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	63,250	13,950	64,500	14,500	40	110	3	288	4	1,892	230,000	175,000
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	28,000	3,500	7,500	12,000	16	10	4	223	6	370	175,000	60,000
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	1,000	1,000	.....	.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	11,792	1,500	7,247	3,045	3	21	1	65	1	11	25,000	10,000
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church <sup>1</sup> .....	145,273	104,313	21,819	19,141	37	11	2	457	3	214	231,250	140,125
General Conference of Mennonites.....	120,706	25,000	85,000	10,706	22	9	12	1,030	6	963	520,000	160,452
Defenseless Mennonites.....	4,200	2,200	.....	2,000	6	1	.....	.....	1	50	.....	75,000
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	7,500	7,500	.....	.....	130	62	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mennonite Brethren Church <sup>2</sup> .....	11,400	8,900	2,500	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Krimmer Brøder-Gemeinde.....	1,075	375	700	.....	2	.....	1	52	1	30	6,000	20,000
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	5,646,574	1,722,892	504,200	3,419,482	4,000	275	117	50,109	172	69,094	63,553,204	26,000,000
Methodist Protestant.....	80,754	22,754	50,000	8,000	26	28	5	655	3	70	1,475,000	60,000
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	71,800	5,500	66,100	.....	14	.....	4	700	.....	.....	232,000	.....
Primitive Methodist.....	6,031	6,731	200	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	2,037,847	1,243,329	344,518	450,000	268	2,390	79	19,736	17	1,739	25,036,304	4,302,000
Congregational Methodist.....	120	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Free Methodist.....	193,500	12,000	187,500	24,000	13	125	9	1,525	2	200	610,000	95,000
African Methodist Episcopal.....	396,609	46,609	350,000	.....	.....	.....	17	6,500	.....	.....	1,040,000	.....
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	83,535	24,000	59,535	.....	.....	.....	11	2,177	.....	.....	468,000	.....
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	5,321	3,821	1,500	.....	20	11	2	91	.....	.....	4,700	.....
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	195,282	105,282	90,000	.....	228	434	13	2,600	.....	.....	775,000	.....
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	200	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	50	.....	.....	30,000	.....

<sup>1</sup> Includes statistics for the Free Baptist Church, not reported separately.<sup>2</sup> Partial report.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.



# WORK IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN FIELDS.

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WORK IN THE UNITED STATES, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

DENOMINATION.	DOMESTIC WORK: 1906.											
	Amount contributed.				Home missions.		Colleges, etc.		Hospitals, etc.		Value of property and endowments.	
	Total.	Home missions.	Educa-tion.	Philan-thropy.	Number of mission-aries.	Number of churches aided.	Num-ber.	Stu-dents.	Num-ber.	In-mates and pa-tients.	Educa-tional.	Philan-thropic.
Total, denominations represented.....	\$38,676,143	\$12,762,271	\$17,665,669	\$8,248,203	20,044	22,591	2,532	401,018	1,857	454,280	\$239,690,727	\$57,820,191
<b>Adventist bodies:</b>												
Advent Christian.....	9,838	1,434	8,404		6	11	3	216			8,800	
Seventh-day Adventist.....	265,599	161,099	20,000	84,500	1,197	78	41	3,374	46	9,434	929,433	1,676,194
Church of God (Adventist).....					2							
Life and Advent Union.....	500	500										
<b>Baptist bodies:</b>												
Baptists—												
Northern Baptist Convention <sup>2</sup> .....	11,795,656	1,887,789	9,927,867		1,937	2,593	75	21,683	41		46,958,799	2,487,000
Southern Baptist Convention.....	1,218,839	251,984	725,900	240,955	865	3,128	102	21,551	23	1,851	9,708,089	1,183,000
National Baptist Convention.....	97,628	17,628	80,000		66		26	5,200	14	1,000	600,000	100,000
Seventh Day Baptists.....	13,202	8,000	5,202		31	38	3	572			752,000	
General Baptists.....					1		1	150			70,000	
Brothers, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	118,108	20,000	74,108	24,000	40	96	11	1,921	12	225	890,000	304,000
Brother Church (Progressive).....	9,000	3,500	5,500		10	7	1	152			158,000	5,000
German Seventh Day Baptists.....									2	4		
Brothers, Plymouth:												
Brothers, Plymouth, I.....					40							
Brothers, River:												
Brothers in Christ.....	4,504	977		3,527	15	7	1	26	1	29	7,881	10,000
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....												
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	15,000	10,000	5,000		25	30	9	1,000	2		1,175,000	30,000
Christian Union.....	2,000	2,000										
Churches of Christ.....							11	1,514			305,500	
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	21,550	7,000	14,550				2	479			237,500	
Churches of the New Jerusalem:												
General Convention.....	14,000	14,000			7	16	3	120			443,820	
General Church.....	4,995	3,462	475	1,058			1	57			499,181	
Congregational Churches.....	1,034,154	989,789	64,365		2,494	2,240	87	13,258				
Disciples of Christ.....	1,735,456	641,456	1,044,000	50,000	1,206	384	60	8,684	12	780	5,730,500	275,000
Eastern Orthodox Churches:												
Russian Church.....	2,000			2,000			2	25	1	12	55,000	10,000
Evangelical Association.....	275,508	109,880	40,871	84,757	622	900	3	591	3	549	599,000	235,000
Evangelical Protestant Church.....												
Evangelistic associations:												
Hephzibah Faith Missionary.....							1	70	1	23		
Metropolitan Church.....									1	45		
Missionary Church.....												
Pentecost Bands of the World.....					75		1	75	4	250	1,000	105,500
Pillar of Fire.....												
<b>Friends:</b>												
Friends (Orthodox).....	14,000	14,000			20	10	36	5,163			7,614,600	
Friends (Hicksite).....	60,000			60,000			32	2,750	12	264	1,750,000	440,000
Friends (Wilburite).....	1,000		1,000				4	150				
German Evangelical Synod.....	173,327	27,000	44,457	101,870	83	103	2	183	8	2,036	409,850	530,500
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	11,100		7,500	3,600			1	75	4		4,830,000	11,000
Jewish congregations.....	4,419,563		115,301	4,304,172			14		121	38,116	3,288,000	
<b>Latter Day Saints:</b>												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	246,709		171,709	75,000	926	36	16	5,780	4	1,998	991,741	370,000
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	147,080	137,000	3,080	7,000			1	200	3		40,000	48,650
<b>Lutheran bodies:</b>												
General Synod.....	319,546	168,380	51,666	99,500	282	212	11	1,503	8	289	2,295,000	390,000
United Synod, South.....	132,855	21,380	93,475	18,000	29	50	9	1,226	1	55	819,845	75,000
General Council.....	328,255	147,647	171,650	8,958	359	728	18	3,633	40	11,020	10,321,715	4,830,000
Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	635,726	137,726	168,000	340,000	301	924	21	2,662	40	9,000	1,559,000	1,500,000
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	45,584	8,584	32,000	5,000	50	60	2	254	1	50	156,000	35,000
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	122,695	43,551	59,144	20,000	80	140	15	1,956	7	1,853	809,849	237,787
United Norwegian Church.....	308,625	43,166	149,300	116,159	97	365	10	1,879	17	2,208	940,992	309,826
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	57,000	25,000	22,000	10,000	76		4	408	2	103	365,400	75,000
Synod of Buffalo.....	2,580	580	2,000				1	12			35,000	
Elielsen's Synod.....	3,827	827		3,000	1				1	6		3,500
Synod of Iowa.....	54,108	15,082	21,481	17,545	65	160	4	223	3	218	163,880	152,500
Danish Lutheran Church.....	10,500	1,500	6,000	2,400	10	10	3	200	1	35	91,000	17,000
Icelandic Synod.....	2,200	1,000	1,200		7	20						
Immanuel Synod.....	850	850			4	2						
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	15,500	800	15,000		1		1	87			53,000	
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	46,196	6,759	27,331	12,108	30	90	3	247	5	1,149	183,000	110,500
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	11,829	3,558	5,671	2,600	11	14	1	130	2	38	30,000	10,000
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	5,000	2,500	2,500		4	40	1	27			3,000	
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	3,092	308	2,784		2	10	1	60			25,000	
<b>Mennonite bodies:</b>												
Mennonite Church <sup>2</sup> .....	58,190	35,707		22,483		11	1	225	4	188	61,000	126,800
General Conference of Mennonites.....	23,100	1,100	22,000				6	600	3		110,000	
Defenseless Mennonites.....												
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	5,000	5,000			100	60						
Mennonite Brethren Church <sup>2</sup> .....												
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde.....												
<b>Methodist bodies:</b>												
Methodist Episcopal.....	4,277,723	2,413,286	1,008,066	856,371		365	124	52,507	126	35,127	41,678,756	8,820,404
Methodist Protestant.....	62,974	15,600	45,874	1,500	28	35	7	1,034	1	25	1,169,836	
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	28,942	4,127	24,815		12		3	209			128,000	
Primitive Methodist.....	5,916	4,416	1,500		14	17		50				
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	1,447,689	432,454	690,235	325,000	1,983	1,758	193	34,683	14	3,237	16,931,853	2,310,735
Congregational Methodist.....							1	55				
Free Methodist.....	63,669	15,000	28,438	20,231	15	96	8	1,300	3	147	312,685	71,750
African Methodist Episcopal.....	162,280	37,280	125,000				20	5,700			975,000	
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	23,000	23,000					11	2,000			150,000	
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	900	400	500				1	60			3,500	
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	113,340	18,340	95,000		95	107	4	1,450			393,550	
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....												

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see Bohemian and Moravian Brethren Churches.  
<sup>2</sup> Includes statistics for the Free Baptist Church.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 33.—STATISTICS OF MISSIONARY, EDUCATIONAL, AND PHILANTHROPIC

DENOMINATION.	DOMESTIC WORK: 1916.											
	Amount contributed.				Home missions.		Colleges, etc.		Hospitals, etc.		Value of property and endowments.	
	Total.	Home missions.	Educational.	Philanthropy.	Number of missionaries.	Number of churches aided.	Number.	Students.	Number.	In-mates and patients.	Educational.	Philanthropic.
Moravian bodies:												
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	\$45,119	\$33,024	\$11,920	\$175	39	32	7	956	7	.....	\$663,371	\$118,951
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	1,321	87	1,234	.....	5	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	41,190	9,190	32,000	.....	.....	.....	11	1,244	.....	.....	400,000	.....
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	5,761,128	2,559,788	8,201,340	.....	4,858	8,056	218	45,938	.....	.....	52,743,109	.....
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	14,500	5,000	8,000	1,500	50	75	2	250	1	15	110,000	10,000
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	11,995	726	11,269	.....	15	10	1	250	.....	.....	4,500	.....
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	4,577	4,577	.....	.....	2	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
United Presbyterian.....	551,477	295,914	116,753	138,810	374	345	8	2,280	3	3,067	3,234,571	545,000
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	1,580,441	632,637	826,804	121,000	630	650	81	8,724	15	2,594	11,327,065	1,053,000
Associate Synod of North America.....	1,841	1,841	.....	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>1</sup> .....	15,200	13,344	.....	1,856	40	51	3	290	1	51	275,000	10,000
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	32,275	26,930	4,222	1,123	29	47	3	1,193	1	19	544,085	55,000
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	206	.....	.....	225,360	.....
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,567,248	1,666,577	533,883	1,366,788	2,069	2,026	122	18,287	195	47,236	34,664,326	46,115,575
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	338,353	245,017	92,436	.....	223	251	7	820	.....	.....	925,000	.....
Reformed Church in the United States.....	335,848	192,848	93,000	50,000	201	242	12	2,579	5	456	4,588,949	625,000
Christian Reformed Church.....	159,400	90,400	37,000	32,000	21	32	2	434	6	180	240,000	210,000
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	9,991	3,137	6,854	.....	17	35	1	9	.....	.....	200,349	.....
Roman Catholic Church.....	1,993,889	1,000,000	.....	993,889	.....	.....	994	162,905	1,183	2616,513	.....	.....
Salvation Army.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	232	11,812	.....	7,013,255
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	.....	.....	.....
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....
Schwenkfelders.....	4,660	4,200	450	.....	.....	2	1	261	.....	.....	80,000	.....
Society for Ethical Culture.....	40,000	.....	40,000	.....	.....	.....	1	659	.....	.....	700,000	.....
Spiritualists:												
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	23	.....	.....	95,000	.....
Unitarians.....	203,629	203,629	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	592,455	172,455	325,000	95,000	327	352	11	2,759	3	263	2,474,997	942,000
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	26,831	10,489	26,342	.....	37	40	3	235	.....	.....	65,000	.....
United Evangelical Church.....	162,708	115,768	40,000	7,000	307	307	2	360	1	.....	600,000	40,000
Universalists.....	102,425	65,700	3,500	33,225	29	79	10	2,884	4	113	5,714,383	322,000
Volunteers of America.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20	41,360	.....	475,100
All other denominations.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>2</sup> Partial report.

# WORK IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN FIELDS.

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WORK IN THE UNITED STATES, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	DOMESTIC WORK: 1906.											
	Amount contributed.				Home missions.		Colleges, etc.		Hospitals, etc.		Value of property and endowments.	
	Total.	Home missions.	Educa- tion.	Philan- thropy.	Number of mission- aries.	Number of churches aided.	Num- ber.	Stu- dents.	Num- ber.	In- mates and pa- tients.	Educa- tional.	Philan- thropic.
Moravian bodies:												
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	\$32,495	\$22,517	\$3,378	\$6,600	54	73	6	1,059	6		\$822,000	\$85,000
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	1,257	33	1,224		3	2						
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	8,879	7,590	1,289				2				47,000	
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,002,771	2,215,188	847,583		3,217	3,369	110	22,005			35,937,078	
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	101,952	83,597	15,000	3,355	75	98	14	3,025	2	40	1,905,000	55,000
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	2,950	450	2,500		17	8	3	350			6,750	
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	3,478	3,478			30	40						
United Presbyterian.....	443,865	325,050	51,476	67,339	350	307	12	4,279	3	1,141	1,973,137	425,000
Presbyterian Church in the United States..	948,120	232,757	632,000	83,363	146	378	162	17,170	13	1,444	7,200,285	803,941
Associate Synod of North America.....	605	605			4	9						
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>1</sup> .....	13,913	13,913					3	337	1	9	253,000	5,000
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	53,211	37,896	10,393	4,917	28	50	2	231	5	80	253,211	45,000
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>2</sup> .....	526	526			1		2	145			149,746	
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,665,133	1,068,155	442,142	1,154,836	1,933	2,077	106	8,098	136	47,236	17,057,622	29,302,104
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	169,824	115,085	54,739		177	239	9	650			743,000	
Reformed Church in the United States.....	203,099	110,000	93,099		192	238	16	2,400	4	322	2,726,000	
Christian Reformed Church.....	129,661	24,000	104,661	1,000	14	32	1	161	3	80	274,000	40,000
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	18,861	16,768	2,095				1	16	1		217,000	8,000
Roman Catholic Church.....							1,011	121,343	878	271,180		
Salvation Army.....									190	9,242		
Scandinavian Evangelical bodies:												
Swedish Mission Covenant.....												
Norwegian-Danish Free Church.....							1	300			50,000	
Schwenkfelders.....	3,500	3,500					1	550	2	857	700,000	48,000
Society for Ethical Culture.....	70,454	700	88,000	31,754								
Spiritualists:							1	20			25,000	
Spiritualists (National Association) <sup>2</sup> .....	4,500	4,500										
Unitarians.....	185,000	185,000										
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	177,671	64,558	103,113	10,000	44	52	13	3,500	2	40	1,661,629	100,000
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitu- tion).....	61,000	45,000	16,000		87	310	3	230			50,000	
United Evangelical Church.....	138,457	117,962	20,495		285	285	3	450			275,000	
Universalists.....	65,321	65,321			75	53	10	2,362	4		4,350,734	
Volunteers of America.....							16	2,885	13	345	24,000	6,500
All other denominations.....	21,335	4,718	4,870	11,747	9	11						

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures.

<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

*Contributions.*—The figures under this head include moneys reported by the different societies or boards, for the purposes of general evangelistic work in the United States classed under the head of home missions; for the establishment and maintenance of schools of higher grade, including universities, colleges, theological schools, and high-grade academies; and for the establishment and maintenance of hospitals, asylums, rescue homes, and other institutions of a philanthropic nature for the relief of suffering.

The total amount these societies and boards reported for the year 1916 was \$46,016,673, of which \$18,466,499 was for home missions, \$17,888,425 for education, and \$9,661,749 for philanthropy.

The bodies contributing over \$1,000,000 in 1916 were the following:

Baptists—Northern Convention.....	\$6,650,383
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America..	5,761,128
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	5,646,574
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,567,248
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	3,498,961
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	2,037,847
Roman Catholic Church.....	1,993,889
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	1,580,441
Congregational Churches.....	1,206,139
Lutheran—General Council.....	1,180,746
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,111,694
Jewish congregations.....	1,100,000
Disciples of Christ.....	1,076,550
Latter Day Saints, Church of Jesus Christ.....	1,074,118

With regard to these contributions it is to be noted that all the denominations are not represented under each head. Of the 99 denominations reporting contributions, 92 reported gifts for home missions, 78 for education, and only 52 for philanthropy. This does not indicate that these bodies made no contributions for the objects under which they are not reported, but simply that they do not make their contributions through societies or boards organized for those purposes. Thus, among the denominations omitted from the philanthropic column are the Baptist, Congregational, and some of the Presbyterian bodies; from the educational column, the Roman Catholic Church, and from home missions, the Jewish congregations. It is to be noted also that some bodies that report the various activities do not report contributions. In the case of the Free Baptists, who reported separately in 1906, all contributions have been made in 1916 through the Northern Baptist Convention.

*Home missions.*—Under this head the table shows: (1) The number of persons in the employ of the recognized societies or boards of the denominations engaged in the general work of evangelization in the United States; some of these are resident pastors of churches which are unable to provide for all their own expenses but whose conduct is deemed important, others represent itinerant preachers in care of a section of territory; (2) the number of local churches aided by these societies or boards, whether in their estab-

lishment or their conduct, including the cost of erecting buildings, the support, in whole or in part, of the pastor's salary, etc. These figures have primary reference to what are called the national societies—those boards or societies that superintend home mission work over the entire country. Aside from these, in many of the denominations there are boards, under state or minor ecclesiastical organizations, associations, presbyteries, synods, dioceses, etc. Wherever practicable these were included, and mention is made regarding them in the statement of work of the separate denominations in Part II.

The total number of persons reported in 1916 as engaged in home missionary work was 27,982, and the number of churches aided was 29,283. It is evident from a review of the returns for some of the denominations, that the similarity between the totals for all denominations is not so significant as might appear. Thus, the Seventh-day Adventist Denomination reported 1,420 missionaries but made no report of the number of churches aided; the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1,660 missionaries and 145 churches aided; the Methodist Episcopal Church, 4,000 missionaries and 275 churches aided; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 268 missionaries and 2,390 churches aided; and the Lutheran Synodical Conference, 657 missionaries and 1,733 churches aided. In a number of other denominations, also, the number of churches aided exceeded the number of missionaries.

*Colleges, etc.*—Under this head are included the number of schools of higher grade—universities, colleges, theological schools, academies, etc.—under the auspices of each denomination, whether or not receiving financial assistance from it, together with the number of students connected with them. Roman Catholic and Lutheran parochial schools and elementary schools conducted by some of the denominations for Negroes, Indians, foreigners, or others, are, with few exceptions, not included in the tabular presentation, though reference is made to them in the denominational text in Part II.

The returns under this head show 2,529 educational institutions with 456,089 students, but these figures can scarcely be regarded as complete, for returns, especially as to number of students, were lacking from many of the institutions, notably the larger colleges and universities. Comparison with the returns for 1906, moreover, showed, in some cases, a falling off both in number of institutions and in students, while in general the increase was not what might have been anticipated. This may have been due to the fact that there has been a general movement to dissociate educational institutions from denominational relations, so that some institutions do not report to the societies through which denominational assistance is given when needed. Thus, in 1906, the Disciples of Christ reported 50 institutions, with 8,684 students, and in 1916,

44 institutions, with 8,545 students; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, reported in 1906, 193 institutions, with 34,683 students, and in 1916, 79 institutions, with 19,736 students. Other bodies showed similar decreases and the natural inference from the reports is that the relation between these institutions and the denominational boards and societies is not as close as it has been in the past.

The denominations reporting over 50 educational institutions in 1916 were:

DENOMINATION.	Institutions.	Students.
Roman Catholic Church.....	994	152,905
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	216	45,938
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	122	18,287
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	117	50,109
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	116	21,918
Baptists—National Convention.....	115	9,775
Congregational Churches.....	87	15,150
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	81	8,724
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	79	19,736
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	61	22,417

*Hospitals, etc.*—In most of the religious bodies philanthropic institutions as a distinct phase of church work are of comparatively recent origin. The Roman Catholic Church has developed this department of activity most effectively, and the Lutheran churches have done much in this line, as have also, especially in recent years, the Methodist Episcopal and Protestant Episcopal churches. The Presbyterian and Reformed bodies, the Congregational Churches, and others have given largely, but mostly for the establishment and conduct of undenominational institutions. The practical conduct of philanthropic institutions, whether denominational or undenominational in form, is everywhere broadly nonsectarian, and this accounts, in part at least, for the difficulty in securing complete statistics, and the diminution in some of the figures reported.

Denominations reporting special work in this line in 1916 were as follows:

DENOMINATION.	Institutions.	Inmates and patients.
Roman Catholic Church.....	1,188	616,513
Salvation Army.....	232	11,812
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	105	47,236
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	172	69,094
Jewish congregations.....	148	45,000
Lutheran—General Council.....	54	18,031
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	36	13,566
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	23	20,000
Volunteers of America.....	20	41,360
Seventh-day Adventists.....	20	14,149

The divergence in type in the different institutions is indicated by the great variation in the number of inmates and patients. Some are for permanent, others for transient relief; some are hospitals or sanitariums, others rescue homes and relief stations. As in the case of the educational institutions, the returns do not indicate the entire amount of work done along philan-

thropic lines, even by the denominations reporting, but the amount done under their auspices, or over which they exercise some supervision.

*Value of property and endowments.*—The figures under this head represent only property used for educational or philanthropic purposes. There is some property held by home mission boards, but it is usually in the form of church edifices, parsonages, etc., which in time passes into the hands of the local organizations. On account of this transient character no attempt was made to tabulate it.

The total value of property and endowments reported for 1916 was \$496,271,951, apportioned as follows: Educational institutions, \$387,763,922; philanthropic institutions, \$108,508,029.

The denominations reporting over \$10,000,000 value of property and endowments in 1916 were:

Methodist Episcopal Church.....	\$89,553,204
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	80,779,901
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	79,539,499
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America..	52,743,109
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	29,338,304
Lutheran—General Council.....	25,552,049
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	25,151,413
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	12,380,066
Disciples of Christ.....	10,379,046

*Changes since 1906.*—A comparison of the returns for 1916 with those for 1906 shows, under the head of "home missions," an increase of 7,938 in number of missionaries, and of 6,692 in number of churches aided; under the head of "education" a loss of 3 in the total number of institutions, but an increase of 55,071 in the number of students reported; under the head of "philanthropic institutions" a gain of 537 in number of institutions reported and of 485,718 in the number of persons aided; under the head of "value of property and endowments" a gain of \$148,073,195 for educational institutions and of \$50,687,838 for philanthropic institutions.

#### FOREIGN WORK.

Table 34 presents statistics for 1916 and 1906 of the evangelistic, educational, and philanthropic work carried on in foreign lands by the churches of the United States through their various boards or societies. In general, the presentation follows the same lines as in the work carried on in the United States.

The items include, for each denomination reporting, the amount contributed in the United States for the conduct of work in foreign lands; the number of countries in which the work is carried on, and the number of stations occupied; the number of persons, American and native, employed in the work; the number of organized churches and their membership; the number of schools of higher grade and their students; the number of philanthropic institutions and their inmates and patients; and the value of property held for various purposes in those lands.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 34.—STATISTICS OF MISSIONARY, EDUCATIONAL, AND PHILANTHROPIC

FOREIGN MISSION WORK: 1916.												
DENOMINATION.	Amount contributed.	Countries.		Missionaries.		Churches.		Colleges, academies, etc.		Philanthropic institutions.		Value of property.
		Num-ber.	Sta-tions.	Amer-ican.	Native helpers.	Num-ber.	Members.	Num-ber.	Students.	Num-ber.	Inmates and patients.	
Total, denominations represented	\$16,033,898			9,873	52,253	13,911	1,687,824	13,653	575,916	791	2,218,604	\$52,777,299
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian	38,000	3	12	20		10	889	11	433	2	80	52,000
Seventh-day Adventist	736,946	92	249	880	2,000	1,951	65,178	237	7,208	22	34,955	5,377,889
Church of God (Adventist)	500	2		2		1	50					
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—Northern Convention <sup>1</sup>	1,280,509	14	127	688	9,185	2,937	326,494	2,608	85,625	69	83,391	3,640,292
Southern Convention	529,405	7	61	307	809	458	47,101	509	14,038	33	70,479	1,000,000
National Convention	21,887	5	80	13	96	88	19,812	52	15,311			41,400
Seventh Day Baptists	7,284	4	8	10	20	6	229	5	213	2	5,580	30,000
General Baptists	1,850	1	2	3	2	2	75					5,500
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative)	102,076	4	19	66	187	16	1,803	20	2,439	5	23,538	1,050,000
Brethren Church (Progressive)	6,000	2	10	10	10	1	200					20,000
Brethren, Plymouth, I.		6	8	6	8	3	60					
Brethren, River—Brethren in Christ	9,000	2	6	26	20	6	625	25	975			28,000
Christian and Missionary Alliance	140,003	16	105	273	571	104	7,538	198	6,716	4	212	361,445
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup>	23,961	2	5	12	24	19	1,423			1	15	40,000
Churches of God, General Eldership	4,162	1	3	4	11	1	27	7	188			20,000
Churches of the New Jerusalem:												
General Convention	1,200	7	11		4							1,000
General Church		7	6	5	9			3	35			
Congregational Churches	1,089,093	16	106	661	5,273	701	83,135	1,613	86,581	73	125,148	1,500,000
Disciples of Christ	569,416	13	72	278	1,019	239	21,825	159	7,509	44	101,853	916,713
Evangelical Association	60,000	6	2	24	640	493	34,358	17	645	16	10,225	1,447,103
Evangelistic associations:												
Hephzibah Faith Missionary	9,888	5	10	15	22	30	2,039					89,850
Metropolitan Church Association	1,000	3	3	14		2	300					12,000
Missionary Church	4,400	3	10	15								
Peniel Missions	5,000	4	4	6	9							
Pentecost Bands of the World	6,684	4	8	18	33	5	292	4	148	3	91	15,800
Pillar of Fire	1,000	1	1	6	10	1	25					15,000
Friends (Orthodox)	90,000	10	32	98	198	28	2,279	71	4,117	2	26,888	281,726
German Evangelical Synod	32,599	1	6	22	301	6	3,888	63	4,606	11	12,605	69,945
International Apostolic Holiness Church	10,100	5	40	35	81	35	780	5	300			26,000
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ	118,862	15	15	1,183	4,670	492	75,450	7	2,271			747,628
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ	5,500	13	68	25	869	143	12,795	1	75	1	12	175,000
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod	145,252	3	17	66	975	679	19,809	412	15,457	9	10,963	815,000
United Synod, South	22,693	1	12	7	10	4	673					98,000
General Council	262,353	7	16	78	851	16	95,646	10	2,940	4	1,610	250,000
Synodical Conference	27,278	3	123	18	50		1,378	50	1,800			
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod	28,000	1	4	21	98	10	2,600	3	220	1	8,000	20,000
Synod for Norwegian Church	27,690	2	3	30	168	11	5,104	59	1,597	16	5,262	89,500
United Norwegian Church	156,599	2	120	41	224	120	3,753	63	1,519	4	459	397,550
Joint Synod of Ohio	15,000	2	2		4							25,000
Synod of Buffalo	782	1										
Elisen's Synod	2,500											
Synod of Iowa	24,514											
Danish Lutheran Church	2,000											
Icelandic Synod	1,000	1	1	1								
Finnish, Suomi Synod	1,500											
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian)	25,200	2	5	15	64	5	780	21	532	6	8,384	15,000
United Danish Lutheran Church	17,000	1	2	4	1			1	20			10,000
Finnish Lutheran National Church	2,000	1										
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian)	8,871	3	3	18	15	1	250	11	145	2		7,000
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church <sup>3</sup>	25,869	1	5	20	58	6	589	10	886	7	17,754	70,000
General Conference of Mennonites	22,000	2	6	17	70	5	329	17	704	6	5,280	45,000
Defenseless Mennonites	3,200	1	2	4		1	50					
Mennonite Brethren in Christ	22,000	5	20	40		4				3	320	50,000
Mennonite Brethren Church <sup>4</sup>	20,000	2	5	11	50	27	2,300					29,000
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde	8,000	2				2	319			1	300	20,000
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal	2,941,422	34	174	1,428	13,110	2,516	442,765	2,995	96,021	95	200,000	16,876,325
Methodist Protestant	65,436	3	80	16	123	19	2,000	12	1,514	12	7,620	153,700
Wesleyan Methodist Connection	17,632	2	3	17	18	3	100	4	65			11,200
Primitive Methodist	1,000	1	1	1	1	1	125	2	250			
Methodist Episcopal, South	934,306	7	00	382	444	589	34,040	222	15,021	8	55,050	4,000,000
Congregational Methodist	522	1										
Free Methodist	67,000	6	26	85	221	15	3,000	91	2,600	6	2,600	196,175
African Methodist Episcopal	25,908	8	156	4	152	121	29,006	6	1,000			
African Methodist Episcopal Zion	9,050	3	52	4	60	52	7,000	10	1,870			26,000
Moravian bodies:												
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum) <sup>4</sup>	35,264	14	156	42	2,196	156	39,683	429	32,625	5		
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren	87	1										
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene	50,300	9	26	51	75	17	1,543	7	250	8	25,000	59,000
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.	2,272,950	15	170	1,353	2,004	930	161,470	1,919	71,251	176	753,971	2,768,080
Cumberland Presbyterian	35,000	1	4	4	5	6	600	3	110			125,000
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist	12,851	1	2	6	16	1	20	6	391	1	11,984	50,000
United Presbyterian	373,296	3	455	239	1,449	152	45,235	398	30,799	17	118,552	2,191,948
Presbyterian Church in the United States	586,544	7	55	377	894	160	38,169	556	23,600	34	110,638	1,109,435
Associate Synod of North America	637	1	1	1	16	1	95	3	407	3	1,701	80,000
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>5</sup>	21,517	2	23	11	26	19	900	2	35	2	3,246	50,271
Reformed Presbyterian Synod	42,438	4	5	48	73	3	522	20	582	6	4,518	4,000
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>6</sup>	7,979	1		4	20	9	755					
Protestant Episcopal Church	822,402	7	463	346	1,349	247	17,551	346	12,343	20	127,606	4,833,409
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America	302,453	4	29	141	807	61	6,827	267	15,034	28	121,803	1,005,000
Reformed Church in the United States	176,028	2	6	70	169	35	3,768	17	1,257	4	18,636	342,427
Reformed Episcopal Church	10,453	1	8	6	20			17		3	45,053	92,000
Roman Catholic Church	1,200,000											
Scandinavian bodies—Swedish Mission Covenant		1	5	27	81	89	2,063	10	983	4	10,500	
Schwenkfelders	721	3										
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ	126,388	5	17	63	188	102	7,515	33	2,022	7	38,701	361,563
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution)	5,803	1	2	3	5	1		2	75	1	600	6,000
United Evangelical Church	43,025	1	5	28	48	8	465	13	336	2	7,131	84,425
Universalists	14,000	1	8	7	5	4	503			1		76,000
All other denominations												

<sup>1</sup> Includes statistics for the Free Baptist Church, not reported separately.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Figures for 1908, no basis for an estimate for 1916 being available.<sup>4</sup> The statistics of foreign mission work of the Moravian Church are for the entire body, and not for the American branch alone.<sup>5</sup> Endowment only.



# WORK IN DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN FIELDS.

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## WORK IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

FOREIGN MISSION WORK: 1906.												
DENOMINATION.	Amount contributed.	Countries.		Missionaries.		Churches.		Colleges, academies, etc.		Philanthropic institutions.		Value of property.
		Num-ber.	Sta-tions.	Amer-ican.	Native helpers.	Num-ber.	Members.	Num-ber.	Students.	Num-ber.	Inmates and patients.	
Total, denominations represented.....	\$8,744,627			7,731	35,388	8,323	922,567	8,708	321,452	1,550	1,492,647	\$28,496,672
Adventist bodies:												
Advent Christian.....	32,982	3	12	21	60	11	654	30	1,723	2	120	41,500
Seventh-day Adventist.....	266,666	45	126	284	1,108	666	27,199	17	749	19	5,004	953,859
Church of God (Adventist).....												
Baptist bodies:												
Baptists—Northern Convention <sup>2</sup> .....	878,218	18	122	604	6,756	2,384	253,941	2,041	57,997	57	62,917	1,335,000
Southern Convention.....	408,811	7	46	203	287	233	13,437	108	2,609	8	18,000	300,000
National Convention.....	18,727	5	72	8	132	33	8,074	32	5,781			29,650
Seventh Day Baptists.....	5,400	4	7	9	19	6	235	7	150	3	2,892	25,000
General Baptists.....												
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):												
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	66,961	1	14	23	15	8	1,200	2	600	2	200	
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	3,090	3	3	6	1	1	70					2,000
Brethren, Plymouth, I.....												
Brethren, River—Brethren in Christ.....	1,324	2	5	14	6			5	125			
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....												
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	13,879	2	6	14	21	15	688	2	12			14,950
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	5,000	1	2	4	10	2	73			1		500
Churches of the New Jerusalem:												
General Convention.....	1,000	6	11		4		300					
General Church.....												
Congregational Churches.....	891,979	13	105	569	4,135	680	68,952	1,468	65,152	123	373,509	1,500,000
Disciples of Christ.....	446,353	19	87	231	575	152	14,880	153	9,499	64	66,661	736,000
Evangelical Association.....	44,600	5	2	16	617	456	27,897	3	53	15	11,416	1,132,000
Evangelistic associations:												
Hephzibah Faith Missionary.....	5,200	4	7	24								
Metropolitan Church Association.....	2,340	3		15								
Missionary Church.....												
Peniel Missions.....												
Pentecost Bands of the World.....	4,500	3	10	17	15	3	250	2	250	2	200	35,000
Pillar of Fire.....												
Friends (Orthodox).....	97,500	12	41	115	250	29	4,190	55	3,000	5		
German Evangelical Synod.....	29,067	1	4	12	154	4	1,814	39	1,601	11	12,759	50,000
International Apostolic Holiness Church.....	12,400	4	10	25				3				27,000
Latter Day Saints:												
Church of Jesus Christ.....	75,646	14	15	1,600	4,085	85	53,996	9	1,484			285,588
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	13,000	11				138	8,055					15,000
Lutheran bodies:												
General Synod.....	73,172	2	8	38	610	502	12,725	361	8,829	5	8,567	175,000
United Synod, South.....	7,150	1	1	3	7	9	200					6,000
General Council.....	39,245	1	5	21	300	241	6,135	196	5,738	2	4,000	100,000
Synodical Conference.....	14,021	1	4	7	9	4	60	14	687			10,000
Norwegian Lutheran Church—												
Hauge's Synod.....	27,000	1	4	16	65	15	284	30	854	4	1,030	13,000
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	4,003	1		16	32	4	1,811	9	462	3	57	
United Norwegian Church.....	57,430	2	8	39	81	47	1,183	11	529	8	2,125	38,000
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	6,600	2										
Synod of Buffalo.....	650	1										
Elisen's Synod.....												
Synod of Iowa.....	9,721											
Danish Lutheran Church.....	196											
Icelandic Synod.....												
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	529											
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	13,993	1	3	7	100	3	929	60	2,493	2	8,488	7,900
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	2,022	1	1	4	3	1	30	1	30			
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	50											
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	1,330	1	1	7	2			2	40			2,200
Mennonite bodies:												
Mennonite Church <sup>2</sup> .....	31,688	1	3	13	13	4	782	3	285	2	550	62,000
General Conference of Mennonites.....	21,500	1	2				60	2		2		72,000
Defenseless Mennonites.....		1	1	2								
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	14,000	5		38						1	350	
Mennonite Brethren Church <sup>2</sup> .....		2	4	12	12		335					14,300
Krimmer Bruder-Gemeinde.....												
Methodist bodies:												
Methodist Episcopal.....	1,302,698	28	172	827	9,463	1,455	259,782	2,016	70,588	22	59,522	9,513,801
Methodist Protestant.....	28,606	1	5	13	15	12	1,000	5	800			63,500
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	10,061	1	1	5	5	1	50	2	30			5,000
Primitive Methodist.....	800	1	1		1	1	75	1	150			
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	700,627	6	50	281	795	318	20,990	100	8,691	6	63,500	1,800,963
Congregational Methodist.....												
Free Methodist.....	56,285	6	18	52	91	11	1,047	24	685			90,400
African Methodist Episcopal.....	9,750	8					10,800					
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	3,000	4		15				3				13,000
Moravian bodies:												
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	24,474			40								
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	33											
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	4,000	2		8	6	3	100	2		2		6,000
Presbyterian bodies:												
Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.....	1,182,516	15	136	890	2,611	443	63,480	995	32,430	118	442,756	4,000,000
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	72,121	3	11	35	86	11	1,299	4	500		8,000	55,000
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	3,450	1	1	3	5	1	18					
United Presbyterian.....	366,164	3	93	176	833	90	19,798	365	13,750	10	116,418	1,437,250
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	266,318	7	49	206	293	55	10,824	61	3,471	4	15,000	250,000
Associate Synod of North America.....	740	1	1	2	7	1	57	3	189	2	2,897	
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	19,650	2		13	12	11	342	6	393	2	14	48,450
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	20,965	3	5	36	44	2	403	14	720	3	2,500	126,871
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>2</sup> .....	9,780	2		27	7		550			3		4,000
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	549,070	7	387	221	761	96	9,890	180	6,950	18	95,323	1,271,548
Reformed bodies:												
Reformed Church in America.....	179,867	4	23	100	551	35	5,062	217	9,398	8	84,361	301,083
Reformed Church in the United States.....	96,100	2	3	54	120	53	2,800	6	625	3	2,150	285,000
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	8,159	1	5	12						3		100,000
Roman Catholic Church.....												
Scandinavian bodies—Swedish Mission Covenant.....		1	3	15	20	12	446					
Schwenkfelders.....	500											
United Brethren bodies:												
United Brethren in Christ.....	82,206	5		56	133	51	2,028	34	1,285	3	21,370	111,771
United Brethren in Christ (Old Constitution).....	2,500	1	3	5	3	6	50	2	80			5,000
United Evangelical Church.....	25,650	1	3	14	5	4	100	3	80			19,588
Universalists.....	8,500	1	11	5	6	5	207			1		20,000
All other denominations.....	104	10		605		3	150					5,000

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures.

<sup>2</sup> Includes statistics for the Free Baptist Church.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

The amounts contributed and the value of property are not distributed, as in the home mission work, under the different heads of evangelistic, educational, and philanthropic. Schools and hospitals are not conducted primarily with a view to church organization, yet they are distinctively evangelistic in type, and the line between the institutions is not always easily drawn. Also, the management of these departments is so unified that missionaries are assigned to one or the other departments according to convenience, and frequently share in two or even all three.

In view of the fact that the same country is frequently reported as occupied by several denominations, and sometimes the same city or town, the total number of countries and stations is not given. There is also wide divergence in the use of these terms. Some report Africa as one country, others report each section as a separate country; ordinarily a station is a place occupied by an American missionary, but in some cases the term is applied to any place where mission work is carried on.

The term "American missionaries," in accordance with the general usage in the United States and Great Britain, includes all those of either sex commissioned by the missionary societies. Of late the term has been held to include also the wives of missionaries. The term "native helpers" includes all those native to the country, whether preachers, teachers, colporteurs, or other workers of either sex, in the employ of a missionary society, but not the pastors of self-supporting native churches. The terms "churches" and "members" are used in the same sense as in the general tables of this report. The schools are, in the main, schools of higher grade—colleges, academies, normal schools, etc.—the primary schools connected with the missionary boards being to a considerable degree supported by the native churches themselves, and not included in the reports presented. The philanthropic institutions include hospitals, dispensaries, asylums, and orphanages. Under the head of "inmates of hospitals" it was intended to include all patients who were treated during the year, as well as regular inmates; in some instances, however, the capacity appears to have been given rather than the total number of inmates. The property value includes all buildings, whether for educational or philanthropic purposes, or for use as residences for missionaries. Sometimes it includes church buildings, though commonly these are not owned by the missionary society, but by the local church organizations.

*Incompleteness of the figures.*—The statistics of foreign work are even more incomplete than those relating to domestic work. In many cases, the situation in the missions is uncertain, and exact figures are not available; in others, the press of work prevents the furnishing of information; again, the methods of conducting the work differ so that the terms used in one field do not fit the conditions in another. Most of the

denominations conduct their own work, directing it from headquarters in this country, but some, especially several Lutheran synods, contribute to European societies, and make no separate report, with the result that the statistics for those synods cover contributions only. The Moravian Brethren report the funds contributed in this country, but general statistics cover the entire Moravian Church, in England and on the Continent as well as in the United States. The Roman Catholic Church gives an estimate of its contributions but no detailed statistics, because the greater part of the work under the auspices of the church is carried on by the various religious orders which do not report to any central authority. Some denominations, as the Plymouth Brethren, I, the General Church of the New Jerusalem, and the Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant give general statistics but no statement of contributions.

As shown by Table 34, the denominations reporting contributions for foreign work in excess of \$500,000 in 1916 were as follows:

Methodist Episcopal Church.....	\$2,941,422
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America..	2,272,950
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,280,509
Roman Catholic Church.....	1,200,000
Congregational Churches.....	1,089,098
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	984,306
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	822,402
Seventh-day Adventists.....	736,046
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	586,544
Disciples of Christ.....	569,416
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	529,405

It may be noted that several of the denominations which made no report of philanthropic institutions in the United States reported considerable work of this type in the foreign field, as the Congregational Churches, Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and others.

The denominations reporting in 1916 more than 250 American missionaries in foreign lands were:

Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,428
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,353
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.....	1,183
Seventh-day Adventists.....	880
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	688
Congregational Churches.....	661
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	382
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	377
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	346
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	307
Disciples of Christ.....	278
Christian and Missionary Alliance.....	273

Other items, as number of native helpers, number of churches, and number of members represent such diverse methods of reporting that comparison of different denominations is uncertain.

*Changes since 1906.*—A comparison of the total returns for 1916 with those for 1906 shows an increase in every particular. The number of American missionaries reported increased from 7,731 to 9,873, and

the number of native helpers, from 35,388 to 52,253; the number of churches increased from 8,323 to 13,911, and the number of members from 922,567 to 1,687,824; the number of schools of higher grade increased from 8,708 to 13,653, and the number of students, from 321,452 to 575,916; the number of philanthropic institutions reported increased from 550 to 791, and the number of persons aided from 1,492,647 to 2,218,604; the total value of property reported increased from \$26,496,672 to \$52,777,299.

## SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS.

In Table 35 is given a comparative summary of the amounts, as presented in Tables 33 and 34, which

were contributed by the several denominations to both domestic and foreign work in 1916. Similar figures are presented for 1906. As stated on page 55, the total amount of contributions shown in this table are not comparable with the amounts reported under "Benevolences" in Table 16 (p. 56), in the section on expenditures, as the latter simply unites all the amounts given by the local church organization for benevolent purposes, irrespective of their distribution, while the amount shown in the present table represents the total contributions of the denomination for such purposes, whether made by church organizations, by individuals, or through specially organized societies.

TABLE 35.—CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN WORK, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

DENOMINATION.	Members: 1916.	CONTRIBUTIONS: 1916.						Members: 1906.	CONTRIBUTIONS: 1906.					
		Domestic and foreign work.							Domestic and foreign work.					
		Total amount contrib- uted.	Domestic work.		Foreign work.		Total amount contrib- uted.		Domestic work.		Foreign work.			
			Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.			Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.		
Total, denominations represented . . .	40,843,477	\$62,050,571	\$46,016,673	74.2	\$16,033,898	25.8	19,921,668	\$47,420,770	\$38,676,143	81.6	\$8,744,627	18.4		
Total, identical denominations . . .	25,033,330	58,350,671	43,707,248	74.9	14,649,423	25.1	19,883,015	47,394,831	38,650,308	81.5	8,744,523	18.5		
Adventist bodies:														
Advent Christian . . . . .	30,597	65,756	27,756	42.2	38,000	57.8	26,799	42,820	9,838	23.0	32,982	77.0		
Seventh-day Adventist . . . . .	70,355	1,563,751	827,705	52.9	736,046	47.1	62,211	532,255	265,599	49.9	266,656	50.1		
Church of God (Adventist) . . . . .	848	4,000	3,500	87.5	500	12.5								
Life and Advent Union . . . . .	658	500	500	100.0			509	500	500	100.0				
Baptist bodies:														
Baptists—														
Northern Baptist Convention . . . . .	1,232,135	7,930,892	6,650,383	83.9	1,280,509	16.1	1,052,105	12,548,532	11,732,896	93.5	815,636	6.5		
Southern Baptist Convention . . . . .	2,708,870	4,028,366	3,498,961	86.9	529,405	13.1	2,009,471	1,622,650	1,218,839	75.1	403,811	24.9		
National Baptist Convention . . . . .	2,938,579	250,202	237,705	91.7	21,587	8.3	2,261,607	116,355	97,628	83.9	18,727	16.1		
Seventh Day Baptists . . . . .	7,980	16,874	9,590	56.8	7,284	43.2	8,381	18,602	13,202	71.0	5,400	29.0		
Free Baptists . . . . .	12,570	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)	81,359	125,342	62,760	50.1	62,582	49.9		
General Baptists . . . . .	33,466	8,250	6,400	77.6	1,850	22.4								
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):														
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	105,102	423,174	321,098	75.9	102,076	24.1	76,547	185,067	118,106	63.8	66,961	36.2		
Brethren Church (Progressive) . . . . .	24,060	18,000	12,000	66.7	6,000	33.3	17,042	12,090	9,000	74.4	3,090	25.6		
German Seventh Day Baptists . . . . .	136	1,500	1,500	100.0										
Brethren, River:														
Brethren in Christ . . . . .	3,805	35,322	26,322	74.5	9,000	25.5	3,397	5,828	4,504	77.3	1,324	22.7		
Christian and Missionary Alliance . . . . .	9,625	269,044	129,041	48.0	140,003	52.0								
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	118,737	44,442	20,481	46.1	23,961	53.9	110,117	28,879	15,000	51.9	13,879	48.1		
Christian Union . . . . .	13,692	4,000	4,000	100.0			13,905	2,000	2,000	100.0				
Churches of God, General Eldership . . . . .	28,376	21,992	17,830	81.1	4,162	18.9	24,356	26,550	21,550	81.2	5,000	18.8		
Churches of the New Jerusalem:														
General Convention . . . . .	6,352	64,200	63,000	98.1	1,200	1.9	6,612	15,000	14,000	93.3	1,000	6.7		
General Church . . . . .	733	8,076	8,076	100.0			635	4,995	4,995	100.0				
Congregational Churches . . . . .	791,274	2,295,237	1,206,139	52.5	1,089,098	47.5	700,480	1,926,133	1,034,154	53.7	891,979	46.3		
Disciples of Christ . . . . .	1,226,028	1,645,966	1,076,550	65.4	569,416	34.6	982,701	2,181,809	1,735,456	79.5	446,353	20.5		
Eastern Orthodox Churches:														
Russian Church . . . . .	99,681	16,987	16,987	100.0			19,111	2,000	2,000	100.0				
Evangelical Association . . . . .	120,756	294,213	234,213	79.6	60,000	20.4	104,898	320,108	275,508	86.1	44,600	13.9		
Evangelical Protestant Church . . . . .	17,962	81,600	81,600	100.0										
Evangelistic associations:														
Ephzibah Faith Missionary . . . . .	352	12,382	2,494	20.1	9,888	79.9	293	5,200			5,200	100.0		
Metropolitan Church . . . . .	704	8,000	7,000	87.5	1,000	12.5	466	2,340			2,340	100.0		
Missionary Church . . . . .	1,554	11,900	7,500	63.0	4,400	37.0								
Peniel Missions . . . . .	257	5,000			5,000	100.0								
Pentecost Bands of the World . . . . .	218	6,984	300	4.3	6,684	95.7	487	4,500			4,500	100.0		
Pillar of Fire <sup>a</sup> . . . . .	1,129	70,000	69,000	98.6	1,000	1.4								
Friends:														
Friends (Orthodox) . . . . .	92,379	140,000	50,000	35.7	90,000	64.3	91,161	111,500	14,000	12.6	97,500	87.4		
Friends (Hicksite) . . . . .	17,170	422,089	422,089	100.0			18,560	60,000	60,000	100.0				
Friends (Wilburite) . . . . .	3,373	24,952	24,952	100.0			3,880	1,000	1,000	100.0				
German Evangelical Synod . . . . .	339,853	259,950	227,351	87.5	32,599	12.5	293,137	202,394	173,327	85.6	29,067	14.4		
International Apostolic Holiness Church . . . . .	5,276	25,000	14,900	59.6	10,100	40.4	2,774	23,500	11,100	47.2	12,400	52.8		
Jewish congregations . . . . .	357,135	1,100,000	1,100,000	100.0			101,457	4,419,563	4,419,563	100.0				
Latter Day Saints:														
Church of Jesus Christ . . . . .	403,388	1,192,980	1,074,118	90.0	118,862	10.0	215,796	322,855	246,709	76.5	76,146	23.5		
Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ . . . . .	58,941	169,480	163,980	96.8	5,500	3.2	40,851	160,080	147,080	91.9	13,000	8.1		
Lutheran bodies:														
General Synod . . . . .	370,715	578,716	433,464	74.9	145,252	25.1	270,221	392,718	319,546	81.4	73,172	18.6		
United Synod, South . . . . .	56,656	169,549	146,851	86.6	22,698	13.4	47,747	140,005	132,855	94.9	7,150	5.1		
General Council . . . . .	540,642	1,443,099	1,180,746	81.8	262,353	18.2	462,177	367,500	328,255	89.3	39,245	10.7		
Synodical Conference . . . . .	777,701	1,138,972	1,111,694	97.6	27,278	2.4	660,670	649,747	635,726	97.8	14,021	2.2		
Norwegian Lutheran Church—														
Hauge's Synod . . . . .	29,893	79,000	51,000	64.6	28,000	35.4	33,268	72,584	45,584	62.8	27,000	37.2		
Synod for Norwegian Church . . . . .	112,673	155,018	127,328	82.1	27,690	17.9	107,712	126,698	122,695	96.8	4,003	3.2		
United Norwegian Church . . . . .	176,084	335,694	179,095	53.4	156,599	46.6	185,027	366,055	308,625	84.3	57,430	15.7		
Joint Synod of Ohio . . . . .	164,968	135,902	120,902	89.0	15,000	11.0	128,408	63,600	57,000	89.6	6,600	10.4		

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.

<sup>2</sup> Contributions for 1916 not reported separately, as they were made through the Northern Baptist Convention.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

TABLE 35.—CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN WORK, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

DENOMINATION.	Members: 1916.	CONTRIBUTIONS: 1916.						Members: 1906.	CONTRIBUTIONS: 1906.					
		Domestic and foreign work.							Domestic and foreign work.					
		Total amount contrib- uted.	Domestic work.		Foreign work.		Total amount contrib- uted.		Domestic work.		Foreign work.			
			Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.			Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.		
<b>Lutheran bodies—Continued.</b>														
Synod of Buffalo.....	6,128	4,437	3,655	82.4	782	17.6	5,270	3,230	2,580	79.9	650	20.1		
Elisen's Synod.....	1,206	5,500	3,000	54.5	2,500	45.5	1,013	3,827	3,827	100.0				
Synod of Iowa.....	130,793	233,217	208,703	89.5	24,514	10.5	110,254	63,829	54,108	84.8	9,721	15.2		
Danish Lutheran Church.....	14,544	32,269	30,269	93.8	2,000	6.2	12,541	10,696	10,500	98.2	106	1.8		
Icelandic Synod.....	1,830	6,000	5,000	83.2	1,000	16.7	2,101	2,200	2,200	100.0				
Immanuel Synod.....	2,978	1,750	1,750	100.0			3,275	850	850	100.0				
Finnish, Suomi Synod.....	18,881	23,735	22,235	93.7	1,500	6.3	12,907	16,329	15,800	96.8	529	3.2		
Lutheran Free Church (Norwegian).....	28,180	118,450	93,250	78.7	25,200	21.3	26,928	60,189	46,196	76.8	13,993	23.2		
United Danish Lutheran Church.....	17,324	40,000	23,000	57.5	17,000	42.5	16,340	13,851	11,829	85.4	2,022	14.6		
Finnish Lutheran National Church.....	7,933	3,000	1,000	33.3	2,000	66.7	10,111	5,050	5,000	99.0	50	1.0		
Lutheran Brethren (Norwegian).....	892	20,663	11,792	57.1	8,871	42.9	482	4,422	3,062	69.9	1,330	30.1		
<b>Mennonite bodies:</b>														
Mennonite Church <sup>1</sup> .....	34,965	171,142	145,273	84.9	25,869	15.1	26,314	89,878	58,190	64.7	31,688	35.3		
General Conference of Mennonites.....	15,407	142,706	120,706	84.6	22,000	15.4	11,661	44,600	23,100	51.8	21,500	48.2		
Defenseless Mennonites.....	854	7,400	4,200	56.8	3,200	43.2								
Mennonite Brethren in Christ.....	4,737	29,500	7,500	25.4	22,000	74.6								
Mennonite Brethren Church.....	5,127	31,400	11,400	36.3	20,000	63.7	2,801	19,000	5,000	26.3	14,000	73.7		
Krimmer Brøder-Gemeinde.....	894	9,075	1,075	11.8	8,000	88.2								
<b>Methodist bodies:</b>														
Methodist Episcopal.....	3,717,785	8,587,996	5,646,574	65.7	2,941,422	34.3	2,986,154	5,580,421	4,277,723	76.7	1,302,698	23.3		
Methodist Protestant.....	186,908	146,190	80,754	55.2	65,436	44.8	178,544	91,580	62,974	68.8	28,606	31.2		
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	20,778	99,282	71,600	80.2	27,682	19.8	20,043	39,003	28,942	74.2	10,061	25.8		
Primitive Methodist.....	9,353	7,631	6,331	87.4	1,300	12.6	7,558	6,716	5,916	88.1	800	11.9		
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	2,114,479	3,022,153	2,037,847	67.4	984,306	32.6	1,638,480	2,214,316	1,447,689	65.4	766,627	34.6		
Congregational Methodist.....	12,503	642	120	18.7	522	81.3								
Free Methodist.....	35,291	260,500	193,500	74.3	67,000	25.7	32,838	119,954	63,669	53.1	56,285	46.9		
African Methodist Episcopal.....	548,355	422,517	396,609	93.9	25,908	6.1	494,777	172,030	162,280	94.3	9,750	5.7		
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	257,169	92,585	83,535	90.2	9,050	9.8	184,542	26,000	23,000	88.5	3,000	11.6		
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	3,624	5,321	5,321	100.0			4,347	900	900	100.0				
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	245,749	195,282	195,282	100.0			172,996	113,340	113,340	100.0				
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	3,977	200	200	100.0										
<b>Moravian bodies:</b>														
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	26,373	80,383	45,119	56.1	35,264	43.9	17,155	56,969	32,495	57.0	24,474	43.0		
Bohemian and Moravian Brethren.....	1,714	1,408	1,321	93.8	87	6.2	771	2,290	2,257	88.6	33	1.4		
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	32,259	91,490	41,190	45.0	50,300	55.0	6,657	12,879	8,879	68.9	4,000	31.1		
<b>Presbyterian bodies:</b>														
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,611,251	8,034,078	5,761,128	71.7	2,272,950	28.3	1,179,566	4,245,287	3,062,771	72.1	1,182,516	27.9		
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	72,052	49,500	14,500	29.3	35,000	70.7	195,770	174,073	101,652	58.6	72,421	41.4		
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	13,077	11,995	11,995	100.0			18,066	2,950	2,950	100.0				
Welsh Calvinistic Methodist.....	14,566	17,428	4,577	26.3	12,851	73.7	13,280	6,928	3,478	50.2	3,450	49.8		
United Presbyterian.....	160,726	924,773	551,477	59.6	373,296	40.4	130,342	810,029	443,865	54.8	366,164	45.2		
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	357,769	2,166,985	1,580,441	72.9	586,544	27.1	266,345	1,214,438	948,120	78.1	266,318	21.9		
Associate Synod of North America.....	490	2,478	1,841	74.3	637	25.7	786	1,345	605	45.0	740	55.0		
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>1</sup> .....	15,124	36,717	15,200	41.4	21,517	58.6	13,201	33,563	13,913	41.5	19,650	58.5		
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	8,185	74,713	32,275	43.2	42,438	56.8	9,122	74,176	53,211	71.7	20,965	28.3		
Reformed Presbyterian, General Synod <sup>1</sup> .....	2,386	7,979			7,979	100.0	4,060	10,306	526	5.1	9,780	94.9		
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,092,821	4,389,650	3,567,248	81.3	822,402	18.7	886,942	3,214,203	2,665,133	82.9	549,070	17.1		
<b>Reformed bodies:</b>														
Reformed Church in America.....	144,929	640,806	338,353	52.8	302,453	47.2	124,938	349,091	169,824	48.6	179,267	51.4		
Reformed Church in the United States.....	344,374	510,876	335,848	65.7	175,028	34.3	292,654	299,199	203,099	67.9	96,100	32.1		
Christian Reformed Church.....	38,668	159,400	159,400	100.0			26,669	129,661	129,661	100.0				
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	11,050	26,444	9,991	37.8	16,453	62.2	9,682	27,020	18,861	69.8	8,159	30.2		
Roman Catholic Church.....	15,721,815	3,193,889	1,993,889	62.4	1,200,000	37.6								
Schwenkfelders.....	1,127	5,371	4,650	86.6	721	13.4								
Society for Ethical Culture.....	2,850	40,000	40,000	100.0			725	4,000	3,800	87.5	500	12.5		
Unitarians.....	82,515	203,629	203,629	100.0			2,040	70,454	70,454	100.0				
United Brethren bodies:							70,542	185,000	185,000	100.0				
United Brethren in Christ.....	348,828	718,843	592,455	82.4	126,388	17.6	274,649	259,877	177,671	68.4	82,206	31.6		
United Brethren in Christ (Old Consti- tution).....	19,106	42,634	36,831	86.4	5,803	13.6	21,401	63,500	61,000	96.1	2,500	3.9		
United Evangelical Church.....	89,774	205,733	162,708	79.1	43,025	20.9	60,882	164,107	138,457	84.4	25,650	15.6		
Universalists.....	58,566	116,425	102,425	88.0	14,000	12.0	64,158	73,821	65,321	88.5	8,500	11.5		
All other denominations.....							38,653	25,939	25,939	99.6	104	0.4		

<sup>1</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>2</sup> Corrected figures.

In interpreting this table two facts are to be kept in mind: (1) The amounts given are those reported by the organizations and societies of the denominations represented; (2) the amounts given do not represent a continuous period, but two limited periods of a year each, a decade apart, and such limited periods are always subject to fluctuation. Peculiar circumstances will arise in connection with some department of work in one year, calling forth special gifts, while in another year, the particular exigency being lacking, the con-

tributions reported are much smaller. Thus the gifts reported by the Northern Baptist Convention in 1906 included a special donation to a single university, while those reported in 1916 probably more nearly represent the liberality of the denomination. The amounts reported by the Jewish congregations in 1906 included special gifts, so that the total was more than four times that reported in 1916; but it does not follow that these congregations have really fallen off in their general benevolences.

Of the 202 denominations included in the report for 1916, only 102 are represented in this table; and of the 188 denominations for 1906, only 88 are represented. Some bodies, which give, and give liberally, to certain departments of work, as already stated, have no organized boards to represent that work and hence those sums are not included in this presentation. The Free Baptist societies, which were reported separately in 1906, have been consolidated with those of the Northern Baptist Convention and their contributions for 1916 are included in those of the latter body.

The table shows total contributions for 1916 of \$62,050,571 as against \$47,420,770 in 1906, an increase of \$14,629,801, or 30.9 per cent. These figures include \$3,693,900 contributed in 1916 by bodies that made no report for 1906, and \$25,939 contributed in 1906 by bodies that made no report in 1916. Considering only those denominations which made report in both years, the amount in 1916 was \$58,356,671 as against \$47,394,831 in 1906, an increase of \$10,961,840, or 23.1 per cent.

Among the amounts reported by denominations presented for the first time in 1916 were: The Roman Catholic Church, \$3,193,889; the Christian and Missionary Alliance, \$269,044; the Evangelical Protestant Church, \$81,600; the Pillar of Fire (Pentecostal Union), \$70,000; three Mennonite bodies, \$47,875. In no case do these reports mark a commencement or a cessation of gifts, but rather a rearrangement of method. The Christian and Missionary Alliance is a new organization of a number of churches listed chiefly in 1906 as Independent churches; the contributions of the Roman Catholic Church, as noted in the descriptive statement, are being gradually coordinated so that a presentation for 1916 was possible. The American Rescue Workers, as is indicated by the name, are engaged largely in philanthropic work, but no detailed statement concerning it was made in 1916.

Among the denominations not included in these tables, because they have no general organization through which reports can be made, are 11 of the 17 Baptist bodies; 6 of the 7 Eastern Orthodox Churches; 9 of the 15 Evangelistic associations; all of the Plymouth Brethren; 10 of the 16 Mennonite bodies; the Churches of Christ; the Independent churches; the Spiritualists; Theosophical societies; and others which give, many of them liberally, though in private or individual ways.

On the entrance of the United States into the European war, there was a general movement in the denominations to meet such needs as might develop, especially in connection with the supply of chaplains for the Army and Navy, and their appropriate equipment, and the provision of places of worship with adequate furnishings in the camps and cantonments.

In the larger bodies special commissions were formed, and a considerable number united in what was known as the General War Time Commission of the Churches, in special relation to the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. Large sums of money were called for and numerous ministers and laymen enlisted for service in one form or another. These, however, did not develop in such time as to warrant their distinctive inclusion in this report, except as in a few cases special reference is made to the general purposes and plans of a specific body.

Comparing the different departments, it appears that, of the \$62,050,571 reported in 1916, \$46,016,673, or 74.2 per cent, was for domestic work, and \$16,033,898, or 25.8 per cent, for work in other lands, while in 1906 the amount for domestic work was \$38,676,143, or 81.6 per cent, and that for foreign work was \$8,744,627, or 18.4 per cent.

The direct comparison between foreign work as a whole and domestic work as a whole has always been considered a not altogether fair comparison, and in the report for 1906 there was presented a comparison of the respective amounts contributed, omitting from the domestic work the amounts contributed to educational and philanthropic purposes, thus limiting them to what is technically known as home missions. The past decade, however, has seen a considerable change in both lines. The foreign work has become more extensively educational and philanthropic, while the domestic work has dropped to a considerable degree certain educational characteristics of former years, and has been directed more exclusively to church organization. Accordingly, the comparison here presented embraces the entire scope of each department of work.

Of the denominations included in the table, those reporting contributions amounting to over \$1,000,000 in 1916 are given in the following statement, with the amounts reported by them in 1916 and in 1906.

DENOMINATION.	CONTRIBUTIONS TO DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN WORK.	
	1916	1906
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	\$9,587,996	\$5,580,421
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,034,078	4,245,287
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	7,930,892	12,673,874
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	4,389,650	3,214,203
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	4,028,366	1,622,650
Roman Catholic Church.....	3,193,889	.....
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	3,022,153	2,214,316
Congregational Churches.....	2,295,237	1,926,133
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	2,166,985	1,214,438
Disciples of Christ.....	1,645,966	2,181,809
Seventh-day Adventists.....	1,503,751	532,285
Lutheran—General Council.....	1,443,099	367,500
Latter Day Saints, Church of Jesus Christ.....	1,192,980	322,355
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,138,972	649,747
Jewish congregations.....	1,100,000	4,419,563

Of the 102 denominations whose contributions for 1916 are noted, 17 confined their gifts to domestic

purposes, 2 sent all their reported contributions abroad, and 83 gave to both causes. Of the 83 contributing to both causes, 17 gave over 50 per cent to foreign work, and 66 over 50 per cent to home work, the latter including the larger and stronger bodies.

Of those bodies reporting for 1916 contributions of over \$1,000,000, noted above, the percentages contributed for domestic and foreign work were as follows:

DENOMINATION.	Per cent, domestic work.	Per cent, foreign work.
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	65.7	34.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	71.7	28.3
Baptists—Northern Baptist Convention.....	83.9	16.1
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	81.3	18.7
Baptists—Southern Baptist Convention.....	86.9	13.1
Roman Catholic Church.....	62.4	37.6
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	67.4	32.6
Congregational Churches.....	52.5	47.5
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	72.9	27.1
Disciples of Christ.....	65.4	34.6
Seventh-day Adventists.....	52.9	47.1
Lutheran—General Council.....	81.8	18.2
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.....	90.0	10.0
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	97.6	2.4
Jewish congregations.....	100.0	.....

Comparing the total contributions as reported for 1916, with those reported for 1906, it appears that there was a gain in 1916 of \$14,629,801, divided as follows: Domestic work, \$7,340,530; foreign work, \$7,289,271. As a result of this proportionate increase in gifts for foreign work the percentage of the total represented by those gifts has risen from 18.4 to 25.8

and the percentage for domestic work has fallen from 81.6 to 74.2.

As previously stated, these tables are far from complete, as they present only such sums as are reported by societies or ecclesiastical authorities in the various denominations and do not represent the total benefactions of local churches or of individuals. Their value is somewhat enhanced in the present investigation by having similar figures for 1906 with which to make comparison, but it is still true, as stated in the report for 1906, that "perhaps the most important result of a study of these tables would be that the various religious bodies should come to realize the desirability of keeping a complete record of their benevolences so that a clear statement of them in every particular may be available. There is an increasing demand for definite financial statements in every department of activity, including the benevolences of the people, and particularly of the churches. That those in charge of these benevolences were not only willing but glad to make such statements is abundantly evident from the correspondence in connection with these tables. Not less evident, however, is the fact that there is as yet not enough uniformity or even harmony of presentation to enable one not personally acquainted with denominational methods to gain an accurate conception of the work the religious bodies are doing."



## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR STATES.

The statistics of religious bodies are presented in detail, by states, in Tables 61, 62, and 68 of the general tables. Table 61 (p. 148) gives a summary of the statistics for 1916 for all denominations combined, and the principal items of this table are reproduced in Table 68 (p. 532) in comparison with similar figures for preceding censuses, so far as available; Table 62 (p. 150) presents statistics of 1916, in detail, for the principal denominations reported in each state.

## GENERAL SUMMARY FOR 1916 AND 1906.

The following table presents the number and per cent distribution, by states, of the number of organizations, number of members, value of church property, debt on church property, and value of parsonages, for 1916 and 1906. The table also shows the estimated population of each state at these two censuses and their rank under each item.

TABLE 36.—DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION, ORGANIZATIONS, MEMBERS, VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY, DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY, AND VALUE OF PARSONAGES, BY STATES: 1916 AND 1906.

STATE.	POPULATION: 1916.			POPULATION: 1906.			STATE.	ORGANIZATIONS: 1916.			ORGANIZATIONS: 1906.		
	Number.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.	Number.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.		Number reported.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.	Number reported.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.
United States.....	102,017,312	100.0	.....	85,837,372	100.0	.....	United States.....	227,487	100.0	.....	212,230	100.0	.....
New York.....	10,273,375	10.1	1	8,405,304	9.8	1	Texas.....	14,316	6.3	1	12,354	5.8	2
Pennsylvania.....	8,522,017	8.4	2	7,141,767	8.3	2	Pennsylvania.....	13,465	5.9	2	12,834	6.0	1
Illinois.....	6,152,257	6.0	3	5,324,875	6.2	3	Georgia.....	10,722	4.7	3	10,097	4.8	3
Ohio.....	5,150,356	5.0	4	4,533,064	5.3	4	New York.....	9,905	4.4	4	9,639	4.5	5
Texas.....	4,429,566	4.3	5	3,671,002	4.2	5	North Carolina.....	9,735	4.3	5	8,592	4.0	9
Massachusetts.....	3,719,156	3.6	6	3,150,984	3.7	7	Ohio.....	9,567	4.2	6	9,890	4.7	4
Missouri.....	3,410,692	3.3	7	3,221,659	3.8	6	Alabama.....	9,402	4.1	7	8,894	4.2	8
Michigan.....	3,054,854	3.0	8	2,660,737	3.1	8	Illinois.....	9,343	4.1	8	9,374	4.4	6
New Jersey.....	2,948,017	2.9	9	2,280,247	2.7	11	Tennessee.....	8,545	3.8	9	8,021	3.8	10
California.....	2,938,554	2.9	10	2,034,859	2.4	17	Missouri.....	8,488	3.7	10	9,206	4.3	7
Georgia.....	2,850,005	2.8	11	2,458,304	2.9	10	Mississippi.....	7,893	3.5	11	7,398	3.5	11
Indiana.....	2,816,817	2.8	12	2,630,089	3.1	9	Kentucky.....	7,331	3.2	12	6,553	3.1	14
Wisconsin.....	2,500,350	2.5	13	2,232,180	2.6	13	Virginia.....	7,152	3.1	13	6,639	3.1	13
North Carolina.....	2,402,738	2.4	14	2,036,306	2.4	16	Arkansas.....	6,991	3.1	14	6,208	2.9	16
Kentucky.....	2,379,639	2.3	15	2,235,101	2.6	12	Indiana.....	6,809	3.0	15	6,863	3.2	12
Alabama.....	2,332,608	2.3	16	2,019,294	2.4	18	Iowa.....	5,736	2.5	16	6,203	3.0	15
Tennessee.....	2,288,004	2.2	17	2,121,752	2.5	15	South Carolina.....	5,679	2.5	17	5,385	2.5	18
Minnesota.....	2,279,603	2.2	18	1,951,183	2.3	20	Michigan.....	5,529	2.4	18	5,635	2.7	17
Iowa.....	2,224,771	2.2	19	2,231,853	2.6	14	Okahoma.....	5,401	2.4	19	4,497	2.1	22
Okahoma.....	2,202,081	2.2	20	1,324,346	1.5	26	Minnesota.....	5,022	2.2	20	4,759	2.2	21
Virginia.....	2,192,019	2.1	21	1,981,965	2.3	19	Wisconsin.....	4,917	2.2	21	4,902	2.3	20
Mississippi.....	1,951,674	1.9	22	1,702,718	2.0	21	Kansas.....	4,706	2.1	22	4,991	2.4	19
Kansas.....	1,829,545	1.8	23	1,608,302	1.9	22	West Virginia.....	4,639	2.0	23	4,042	1.9	23
Louisiana.....	1,829,130	1.8	24	1,550,889	1.8	23	Florida.....	4,395	1.9	24	3,370	1.6	25
Arkansas.....	1,739,723	1.7	25	1,473,508	1.7	24	Louisiana.....	4,038	1.8	25	3,855	1.8	24
South Carolina.....	1,625,475	1.6	26	1,448,175	1.7	25	California.....	3,771	1.7	26	2,897	1.4	28
Washington.....	1,534,221	1.5	27	1,020,437	1.1	31	Nebraska.....	3,288	1.4	27	3,313	1.6	26
West Virginia.....	1,385,038	1.4	28	1,020,398	1.3	29	Massachusetts.....	3,207	1.4	28	3,088	1.5	27
Maryland.....	1,362,807	1.3	29	1,254,147	1.5	27	New Jersey.....	3,187	1.4	29	2,802	1.3	29
Nebraska.....	1,271,375	1.2	30	1,143,867	1.3	28	Maryland.....	2,955	1.3	30	2,778	1.3	30
Connecticut.....	1,244,470	1.2	31	1,035,531	1.2	30	North Dakota.....	2,520	1.1	31	1,993	0.9	31
Colorado.....	982,060	0.9	32	699,453	0.8	33	Washington.....	2,378	1.0	32	1,771	0.8	32
Florida.....	893,493	0.9	33	666,681	0.8	34	South Dakota.....	2,180	1.0	33	1,801	0.8	32
Oregon.....	835,741	0.8	34	573,231	0.7	35	Maine.....	1,623	0.7	34	1,559	0.7	34
Maine.....	772,489	0.8	35	723,677	0.8	32	Oregon.....	1,612	0.7	35	1,304	0.6	36
North Dakota.....	739,201	0.7	36	478,026	0.6	38	Colorado.....	1,465	0.6	36	1,268	0.6	37
South Dakota.....	698,509	0.7	37	513,883	0.6	36	Connecticut.....	1,455	0.6	37	1,384	0.7	35
Rhode Island.....	614,315	0.6	38	498,817	0.6	37	Montana.....	1,333	0.6	38	546	0.3	42
Montana.....	459,494	0.5	39	325,090	0.4	42	New Mexico.....	1,088	0.5	39	625	0.3	41
New Hampshire.....	442,506	0.4	40	423,282	0.5	39	Idaho.....	1,048	0.5	40	676	0.3	40
Utah.....	434,083	0.4	41	336,258	0.4	41	New Hampshire.....	892	0.4	41	856	0.4	39
Idaho.....	428,586	0.4	42	262,692	0.3	45	Vermont.....	861	0.4	42	909	0.4	38
New Mexico.....	410,283	0.4	43	276,621	0.3	44	Utah.....	618	0.3	43	542	0.3	43
District of Columbia.....	363,980	0.4	44	310,968	0.4	43	Rhode Island.....	508	0.2	44	521	0.2	44
Vermont.....	363,699	0.4	45	351,228	0.4	40	Delaware.....	490	0.2	45	468	0.2	45
Arizona.....	255,544	0.3	46	173,088	0.2	47	Arizona.....	450	0.2	46	237	0.1	47
Delaware.....	213,380	0.2	47	195,571	0.2	46	Wyoming.....	355	0.2	47	228	0.1	48
Wyoming.....	179,559	0.2	48	125,449	0.1	48	District of Columbia.....	349	0.2	48	289	0.1	46
Nevada.....	106,784	0.1	49	86,694	0.1	49	Nevada.....	130	0.1	49	88	(*)	40

1 Estimated.

2 Figures used for Iowa in 1916 and 1906 are for population as enumerated in 1910 and 1900.

3 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 36.—DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION, ORGANIZATIONS, MEMBERS, VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY, DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY, AND VALUE OF PARSONAGES, BY STATES: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

STATE.	MEMBERS: 1916.			MEMBERS: 1906.			STATE.	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY: 1916.			STATE.	VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY: 1906.		
	Number reported.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.	Number reported.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.		Amount reported.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.		Amount reported.	Per cent distribution.	Rank.
United States.....	41,926,854	100.0	.....	135,068,058	100.0	.....	United States.....	\$1,676,600,582	100.0	.....	United States.....	\$1,257,575,867	100.0	.....
New York.....	4,315,404	10.3	1	3,995,345	11.4	1	New York.....	293,210,904	17.5	1	New York.....	255,166,284	20.3	1
Pennsylvania.....	4,114,327	9.8	2	3,191,387	9.1	2	Pennsylvania.....	208,132,581	12.4	2	Pennsylvania.....	173,605,141	13.8	2
Illinois.....	2,522,373	6.0	3	2,241,682	6.4	3	Illinois.....	103,613,316	6.2	3	Illinois.....	66,222,514	5.3	3
Ohio.....	2,291,793	5.5	4	1,841,282	5.3	4	Ohio.....	102,766,009	6.1	4	Ohio.....	74,670,765	5.9	4
Massachusetts.....	1,977,482	4.7	5	1,733,334	5.0	5	Massachusetts.....	89,893,220	5.4	5	Massachusetts.....	84,729,445	6.7	3
Texas.....	1,784,620	4.3	6	1,281,322	3.7	6	New Jersey.....	64,699,435	3.9	6	New Jersey.....	50,907,123	4.0	6
Missouri.....	1,370,651	3.3	7	1,266,764	3.6	7	Missouri.....	48,877,820	2.9	7	Missouri.....	38,069,233	3.0	7
New Jersey.....	1,337,983	3.2	8	935,448	2.7	12	Indiana.....	46,218,760	2.8	8	Indiana.....	31,081,500	2.5	8
Georgia.....	1,234,132	2.9	9	1,032,438	2.9	10	Michigan.....	45,756,864	2.7	9	Michigan.....	27,144,250	2.2	13
Michigan.....	1,181,431	2.8	10	1,069,326	3.0	9	Iowa.....	43,534,798	2.6	10	Iowa.....	30,464,860	2.4	9
Indiana.....	1,177,341	2.8	11	969,261	2.3	11	California.....	40,510,180	2.4	11	California.....	28,065,261	2.2	11
Wisconsin.....	1,162,032	2.8	12	1,090,067	3.1	8	Texas.....	40,491,839	2.4	12	Texas.....	28,049,976	1.8	16
North Carolina.....	1,080,723	2.6	13	825,088	2.4	18	Wisconsin.....	39,704,023	2.4	13	Wisconsin.....	27,277,837	2.2	12
Alabama.....	1,009,465	2.4	14	831,671	2.4	16	Minnesota.....	39,663,528	2.4	14	Minnesota.....	26,053,159	2.1	14
Kentucky.....	967,602	2.3	15	887,602	2.5	14	Connecticut.....	33,258,584	2.0	15	Connecticut.....	29,196,128	2.3	10
Virginia.....	949,136	2.3	16	798,611	2.3	19	Virginia.....	29,480,547	1.8	16	Virginia.....	19,699,014	1.6	17
Iowa.....	937,334	2.2	17	825,303	2.4	17	Maryland.....	29,162,361	1.7	17	Maryland.....	17,765,172	1.4	19
Minnesota.....	931,388	2.2	18	901,199	2.6	13	Georgia.....	28,139,165	1.7	18	Georgia.....	17,929,183	1.4	19
California.....	893,366	2.1	19	674,007	1.9	21	North Carolina.....	25,523,323	1.5	19	North Carolina.....	14,053,605	1.1	21
Louisiana.....	883,067	2.1	20	863,214	2.5	15	Kentucky.....	24,606,112	1.5	20	Kentucky.....	18,044,389	1.4	18
Tennessee.....	840,133	2.0	21	700,614	2.0	20	Kansas.....	23,808,525	1.4	21	Kansas.....	14,053,454	1.1	22
South Carolina.....	794,126	1.9	22	697,754	1.9	22	Tennessee.....	22,532,562	1.3	22	Tennessee.....	14,469,012	1.2	20
Mississippi.....	762,977	1.8	23	662,424	1.9	23	Alabama.....	19,250,812	1.1	23	Alabama.....	12,314,993	1.1	23
Connecticut.....	724,692	1.7	24	555,415	1.6	24	Nebraska.....	18,702,423	1.1	24	Nebraska.....	12,114,817	1.0	24
Kansas.....	610,347	1.5	25	474,636	1.4	26	South Carolina.....	16,668,816	1.0	25	South Carolina.....	10,209,043	0.8	26
Maryland.....	602,587	1.4	26	502,717	1.4	25	West Virginia.....	15,472,996	0.9	26	West Virginia.....	9,733,585	0.8	29
Arkansas.....	583,209	1.4	27	431,896	1.2	27	District of Columbia.....	13,987,158	0.8	27	District of Columbia.....	10,025,122	0.8	27
Nebraska.....	440,791	1.1	28	363,585	1.0	28	Louisiana.....	13,043,865	0.8	28	Louisiana.....	10,456,146	0.8	25
West Virginia.....	427,865	1.0	29	308,626	0.9	29	Mississippi.....	12,854,262	0.8	29	Mississippi.....	9,482,229	0.8	31
Oklahoma.....	424,492	1.0	30	263,550	0.8	31	Washington.....	12,768,638	0.8	30	Washington.....	8,082,086	0.6	32
Rhode Island.....	344,060	0.8	31	299,292	0.9	30	Rhode Island.....	12,270,684	0.7	31	Rhode Island.....	9,533,543	0.8	30
Florida.....	324,856	0.8	32	224,407	0.6	33	Arkansas.....	11,399,038	0.7	32	Arkansas.....	6,733,375	0.5	35
Washington.....	283,709	0.7	33	205,208	0.6	36	Florida.....	11,166,357	0.7	33	Florida.....	5,795,859	0.5	37
Utah.....	280,848	0.7	34	174,289	0.5	37	Maine.....	10,478,636	0.6	34	Maine.....	9,955,363	0.8	28
Colorado.....	257,977	0.6	35	223,281	0.6	34	Oklahoma.....	10,246,686	0.6	35	Oklahoma.....	4,933,843	0.4	38
Maine.....	255,293	0.6	36	233,003	0.7	32	Colorado.....	10,010,432	0.6	36	Colorado.....	7,723,200	0.6	34
North Dakota.....	225,877	0.5	37	169,864	0.5	39	New Hampshire.....	8,646,642	0.5	37	New Hampshire.....	7,864,991	0.6	33
New Hampshire.....	210,736	0.5	38	211,450	0.6	35	North Dakota.....	8,521,321	0.5	38	North Dakota.....	4,576,157	0.4	40
New Mexico.....	209,809	0.5	39	158,460	0.5	41	South Dakota.....	8,024,832	0.5	39	South Dakota.....	4,538,013	0.4	41
South Dakota.....	199,017	0.5	40	172,728	0.5	38	Oregon.....	7,735,283	0.5	40	Oregon.....	4,620,793	0.4	39
Oregon.....	179,468	0.4	41	126,461	0.4	43	Vermont.....	7,062,635	0.4	41	Vermont.....	5,939,492	0.5	36
District of Columbia.....	164,413	0.4	42	144,484	0.4	42	Utah.....	6,204,698	0.4	42	Utah.....	3,612,422	0.3	42
Vermont.....	145,682	0.3	43	161,742	0.5	40	Delaware.....	4,847,275	0.3	43	Delaware.....	3,250,105	0.3	43
Montana.....	137,566	0.3	44	111,753	0.3	44	Montana.....	4,380,231	0.3	44	Montana.....	2,809,770	0.2	44
Idaho.....	135,386	0.3	45	77,765	0.2	45	Idaho.....	3,434,634	0.2	45	Idaho.....	1,726,734	0.1	45
Arizona.....	117,014	0.3	46	50,318	0.1	47	New Mexico.....	1,951,963	0.1	46	New Mexico.....	956,605	0.1	46
Delaware.....	86,524	0.2	47	75,526	0.2	46	Arizona.....	1,770,803	0.1	47	Arizona.....	798,975	0.1	47
Wyoming.....	39,505	0.1	48	25,756	0.1	48	Wyoming.....	1,610,453	0.1	48	Wyoming.....	778,142	0.1	48
Nevada.....	16,145	(*)	49	16,703	(*)	49	Nevada.....	514,733	(*)	49	Nevada.....	402,350	(*)	49

\* Corrected figures.

\* Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 36.—DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION, ORGANIZATIONS, MEMBERS, VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY, DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY, AND VALUE OF PARSONAGES, BY STATES: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

STATE.	DEBT ON CHURCH PROP- ERTY: 1916.			DEBT ON CHURCH PROP- ERTY: 1906.			STATE.	PARSONAGES: 1916.			PARSONAGES: 1906.		
	Amount reported.	Per cent distrib- ution.	Rank.	Amount reported.	Per cent distrib- ution.	Rank.		Value reported.	Per cent distrib- ution.	Rank.	Value reported.	Per cent distrib- ution.	Rank.
United States.....	\$164,864,899	100.0	.....	\$108,050,946	100.0	.....	United States.....	\$218,846,096	100.0	.....	\$143,495,853	100.0	.....
New York.....	36,201,461	22.0	1	28,382,866	26.3	1	New York.....	28,782,609	13.2	1	22,283,225	15.5	1
Pennsylvania.....	21,447,131	13.0	2	15,562,196	14.4	2	Pennsylvania.....	25,570,995	11.7	2	17,937,170	12.5	2
Illinois.....	12,953,904	7.9	3	6,317,919	5.8	5	Illinois.....	15,117,239	6.9	3	8,640,258	6.0	3
Ohio.....	9,178,832	5.6	4	5,202,205	4.8	6	Ohio.....	12,092,247	5.5	4	7,916,108	5.5	4
New Jersey.....	8,546,987	5.2	5	6,786,368	6.3	4	New Jersey.....	10,092,037	4.6	5	6,376,490	4.4	6
Massachusetts.....	7,188,653	4.4	6	8,203,412	7.6	3	Massachusetts.....	9,950,857	4.5	6	7,772,500	5.4	5
California.....	4,994,336	3.0	7	2,541,148	2.4	10	Iowa.....	9,170,800	4.2	7	5,481,894	3.8	7
Missouri.....	4,408,507	2.7	8	3,257,740	3.0	7	Wisconsin.....	7,748,562	3.5	8	4,837,471	3.4	8
Michigan.....	4,328,849	2.6	9	1,729,978	1.6	13	Michigan.....	7,364,418	3.4	9	3,946,747	2.8	11
Wisconsin.....	4,296,194	2.6	10	2,885,247	2.7	8	Minnesota.....	6,620,743	3.0	10	4,044,430	2.8	9
Indiana.....	4,254,263	2.6	11	1,723,109	1.6	14	Indiana.....	5,801,374	2.7	11	3,623,538	2.5	12
Minnesota.....	3,938,599	2.4	12	2,066,006	1.9	12	Connecticut.....	5,646,919	2.6	12	3,995,148	2.8	10
Connecticut.....	3,830,726	2.0	13	2,776,588	2.6	9	Texas.....	5,139,796	2.3	13	2,894,606	2.0	15
Texas.....	3,128,697	1.9	14	944,057	0.9	19	Missouri.....	4,918,091	2.2	14	3,448,045	2.4	13
Iowa.....	2,947,071	1.8	15	1,517,992	1.4	16	California.....	4,886,794	2.2	15	2,882,625	2.0	14
Maryland.....	2,628,920	1.6	16	2,095,283	1.9	11	Kansas.....	4,134,299	1.9	16	2,469,184	1.7	17
Washington.....	2,245,838	1.4	17	833,258	0.8	22	Virginia.....	4,044,167	1.8	17	2,471,251	1.7	17
District of Columbia.....	2,090,359	1.3	18	1,570,609	1.5	15	Nebraska.....	4,004,012	1.8	18	2,304,069	1.6	19
Virginia.....	2,081,152	1.3	19	996,367	0.9	18	Maryland.....	3,872,368	1.8	19	2,758,674	1.9	18
Kansas.....	1,615,984	1.0	20	567,254	0.5	27	North Carolina.....	3,077,203	1.4	20	1,681,622	1.2	21
Kentucky.....	1,477,019	0.9	21	862,993	0.8	20	Kentucky.....	2,668,861	1.2	21	1,637,943	1.1	22
Rhode Island.....	1,432,255	0.9	22	1,064,432	1.0	17	Georgia.....	2,609,924	1.2	22	1,696,113	1.2	20
Tennessee.....	1,384,111	0.8	23	445,709	0.4	34	West Virginia.....	2,353,522	1.1	23	1,622,566	1.1	23
West Virginia.....	1,382,105	0.8	24	512,412	0.5	30	Alabama.....	2,352,028	1.1	24	1,443,022	1.0	24
North Carolina.....	1,306,437	0.8	25	498,043	0.5	31	Tennessee.....	2,347,760	1.1	25	1,346,711	0.9	27
Georgia.....	1,230,968	0.7	26	848,770	0.8	21	South Carolina.....	2,224,415	1.0	26	1,352,263	0.9	26
Alabama.....	1,217,128	0.7	27	527,479	0.5	29	South Dakota.....	2,021,275	0.9	27	1,111,745	0.8	32
Colorado.....	1,166,917	0.7	28	619,367	0.6	25	Maine.....	1,879,779	0.9	28	1,435,201	1.0	25
Louisiana.....	1,051,871	0.6	29	689,072	0.6	23	North Dakota.....	1,815,655	0.8	29	957,814	0.7	34
Nebraska.....	1,007,554	0.6	30	531,042	0.5	28	Louisiana.....	1,782,464	0.8	30	1,314,247	0.9	28
North Dakota.....	986,801	0.6	31	463,890	0.4	33	New Hampshire.....	1,696,910	0.8	31	1,313,525	0.9	29
Oklahoma.....	982,879	0.6	32	435,569	0.4	35	Mississippi.....	1,646,876	0.8	32	1,237,829	0.9	30
Oregon.....	970,667	0.6	33	257,815	0.2	40	Florida.....	1,646,156	0.8	33	891,708	0.6	36
South Carolina.....	957,303	0.6	34	350,527	0.3	38	Washington.....	1,641,338	0.7	34	902,801	0.6	35
Arkansas.....	839,447	0.5	35	361,011	0.3	37	Rhode Island.....	1,566,019	0.7	35	960,980	0.7	33
Florida.....	811,694	0.5	36	430,351	0.4	36	Oklahoma.....	1,489,445	0.7	36	682,806	0.5	39
Maine.....	754,058	0.5	37	614,198	0.6	26	Vermont.....	1,459,835	0.7	37	1,207,900	0.8	31
New Hampshire.....	746,581	0.5	38	625,807	0.6	24	Colorado.....	1,289,528	0.6	38	863,920	0.6	37
South Dakota.....	624,597	0.4	39	232,123	0.2	42	Arkansas.....	1,188,270	0.5	39	778,190	0.5	38
Mississippi.....	608,086	0.4	40	345,304	0.3	39	Oregon.....	1,121,820	0.5	40	623,290	0.4	40
Montana.....	456,171	0.3	41	195,122	0.2	43	Montana.....	860,767	0.4	41	450,110	0.3	43
Vermont.....	347,217	0.2	42	470,095	0.4	32	District of Columbia.....	840,842	0.4	42	612,741	0.4	41
Delaware.....	340,369	0.2	43	248,720	0.2	41	Delaware.....	699,420	0.3	43	470,005	0.3	42
Utah.....	327,916	0.2	44	152,131	0.1	44	Idaho.....	416,125	0.2	44	217,375	0.2	44
Idaho.....	269,017	0.2	45	119,677	0.1	45	Wyoming.....	309,050	0.1	45	144,650	0.1	46
Arizona.....	137,521	0.1	46	71,441	0.1	46	New Mexico.....	305,925	0.1	46	186,770	0.1	45
New Mexico.....	116,390	0.1	47	53,535	( <sup>1</sup> )	47	Arizona.....	272,105	0.1	47	121,525	0.1	47
Wyoming.....	85,312	0.1	48	45,394	( <sup>1</sup> )	48	Utah.....	252,392	0.1	48	107,690	0.1	48
Nevada.....	44,085	( <sup>1</sup> )	49	19,305	( <sup>1</sup> )	49	Nevada.....	102,060	( <sup>1</sup> )	49	68,700	( <sup>1</sup> )	49

<sup>1</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

It will be observed from the table that quite frequently the several percentages for a particular state are approximately uniform, and that with few exceptions no one state shows a marked variation. Thus, in 1916, Ohio has 5 per cent of the total population, 4.2 per cent of the organizations, 5.5 per cent of the membership, 6.1 per cent of the value of church property, 5.6 per cent of the total debt on church property, and 5.5 per cent of the value of parsonages. Illinois reports 6 per cent of the population, 4.1 per cent of the organizations, 6 per cent of the membership, 6.2 per cent of the value of church property, 7.9 per cent of the total debt on church property, and 6.9 per cent of the value of parsonages. Among the states of small population, Wyoming reports two-tenths of 1 per cent of the population, two-tenths of 1 per cent of the organizations, and one-tenth of 1 per cent, respectively, of

members, of value of church property, of debt on church property, and of value of parsonages. A wider variation is shown by the percentages for New York—10.1 per cent of the population, 4.4 per cent of the organizations, 10.3 per cent of the members, 17.5 per cent of the value of church property, 22 per cent of the total debt on church property, and 13.2 per cent of the value of parsonages. Pennsylvania, with 8.4 per cent of the population, reports 12.4 per cent of the value of church property, 13 per cent of the debt on church property, and 11.7 per cent of the value of parsonages.

In regard to rank it is noticeable, for example, that New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, and Ohio, which led in population in 1916 in the order named, maintained their respective rank in each statistical detail, except that of number of organizations, in which they are all

superseded by Texas, which ranked fifth in population; Pennsylvania retained second place under organizations, but New York and Ohio were superseded by Georgia, which ranked eleventh in population. North Carolina, whose rank in population was 14, ranked fifth in number of organizations. Texas, which, as stated above, ranked first in number of organizations, was sixth in number of members. The only cases of stationary rank are Pennsylvania, which ranked second in every item, and Nevada, which ranked forty-ninth.

The 10 leading states in respect to population in 1916 together include almost one-half—49.6 per cent—of the entire population of the country, but only 35.5 per cent of the total number of organizations reported. On the other hand, they contain 52 per cent of the total members, 61.9 per cent of the value of church property, 68.2 per cent of the debt on church property, and 56.6 per cent of the value of parsonages.

The table shows that in a number of cases there was considerable change from 1906 to 1916 in the rank held by a given state under a particular heading. Except as to value of church property and parsonages, California ranked higher in each particular in 1916 than in 1906, though the changes in rank did not correspond with the increase in rank from seventeenth to tenth

place in number of inhabitants. North Carolina, with an increase only from sixteenth to fourteenth place in population, rose from ninth to fifth place in number of organizations, and from eighteenth to thirteenth place in number of members. New Jersey, which changed from eleventh to ninth place in population, rose from twelfth to eighth place in number of church members. In rank as to value of church property, Texas, Michigan, and Florida show a considerable increase, while Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont show a considerable decrease. A number of states also show a considerable change from 1906 to 1916 in rank with respect to amount of debt on church property, namely, Tennessee from thirty-fourth to twenty-third, New Hampshire from twenty-fourth to thirty-eighth, Maine from twenty-sixth to thirty-seventh, and Vermont from thirty-second to forty-second place.

*Average per organization.*—The following table shows the states arranged according to average number of members in 1916, based upon organizations reporting, with comparative figures for 1906. It also shows, for the two censuses, the average value of church property, amount of debt, and value of parsonages per organization reporting in each case.

TABLE 37.—AVERAGE PER ORGANIZATION OF MEMBERS, VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY, DEBT, AND VALUE OF PARSONAGES, BY STATES: 1916 AND 1906.

STATE.	AVERAGE PER ORGANIZATION REPORTING.								STATE.	AVERAGE PER ORGANIZATION REPORTING.							
	Average members.		Average value of church property.		Average debt on church property.		Average value of parsonages.			Average members.		Average value of church property.		Average debt on church property.		Average value of parsonages.	
	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906		1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906
United States....	185	167	\$8,476	\$6,756	\$3,835	\$3,214	\$3,353	\$2,647	Missouri.....	162	138	\$6,697	\$4,778	\$3,558	\$3,132	\$2,656	\$1,977
Rhode Island.....	680	590	26,503	20,502	9,485	7,144	6,929	5,309	Maine.....	159	152	7,232	7,081	2,342	2,659	2,579	2,462
Massachusetts.....	623	578	31,597	30,500	7,882	6,808	6,441	5,645	South Carolina.....	140	124	3,105	1,966	985	437	2,332	1,641
Connecticut.....	504	407	25,063	22,845	7,800	7,029	6,212	4,884	Nebraska.....	134	110	6,532	4,333	1,832	1,224	2,415	1,609
District of Columbia.....	472	502	44,670	41,256	11,549	10,983	8,945	8,280	Virginia.....	133	121	4,671	3,209	2,026	1,226	2,876	2,166
Utah.....	457	325	11,120	7,342	2,411	1,769	4,138	2,393	Kentucky.....	132	136	4,029	3,138	2,104	1,385	2,353	1,913
New York.....	439	433	33,617	30,581	12,815	12,400	5,411	4,804	Kansas.....	130	95	5,701	3,450	1,910	960	2,121	1,481
New Jersey.....	421	340	23,074	19,686	6,810	6,313	6,172	4,947	Idaho.....	129	116	4,635	3,399	1,170	942	1,665	1,587
Pennsylvania.....	309	250	16,707	14,564	5,750	4,936	4,797	4,069	Nevada.....	125	194	5,656	5,748	1,696	1,207	2,320	2,021
Illinois.....	271	241	12,373	8,135	5,931	4,237	3,837	2,655	Texas.....	125	104	3,722	2,413	1,584	716	1,967	1,371
Arizona.....	262	213	6,213	4,592	1,910	1,931	2,109	1,870	Washington.....	120	117	6,792	5,712	2,865	2,187	2,047	1,972
Ohio.....	240	188	11,448	8,102	4,983	3,764	3,560	2,673	Georgia.....	115	103	2,826	1,901	752	549	2,136	1,557
California.....	239	237	12,864	11,427	4,236	4,322	3,427	2,891	Oregon.....	112	98	5,900	4,392	2,284	1,270	2,029	1,467
New Hampshire.....	238	254	11,015	10,006	5,656	4,376	3,085	2,731	Wyoming.....	112	114	6,442	4,894	1,153	1,565	2,916	2,192
Wisconsin.....	237	223	8,928	6,225	3,444	2,753	3,390	2,335	North Carolina.....	111	96	2,822	1,742	945	559	2,328	1,636
Louisiana.....	215	226	3,711	2,946	1,193	939	2,201	1,810	Alabama.....	107	94	2,257	1,660	960	433	2,015	1,545
Michigan.....	214	191	9,353	5,773	3,638	1,663	3,017	1,831	Montana.....	104	206	5,802	7,186	1,671	2,243	2,822	2,332
Maryland.....	205	182	10,539	9,112	3,226	3,180	3,412	2,901	Tennessee.....	99	83	3,040	1,998	1,615	649	2,182	1,448
New Mexico.....	195	254	2,805	2,053	1,068	991	1,768	1,506	Mississippi.....	97	90	1,816	1,377	558	325	1,686	1,423
Minnesota.....	186	191	8,924	6,347	3,422	2,042	3,135	2,367	West Virginia.....	92	77	4,043	2,919	2,323	1,352	2,979	2,462
Delaware.....	178	162	10,677	7,206	2,284	1,777	3,532	2,861	South Dakota.....	91	96	4,567	3,167	1,842	1,005	2,415	1,740
Colorado.....	177	177	8,750	8,079	3,023	2,017	2,528	2,062	North Dakota.....	90	87	4,377	3,485	1,584	1,189	2,358	1,916
Indiana.....	173	142	7,404	4,843	3,649	1,793	2,564	2,125	Arkansas.....	84	70	2,088	1,309	879	519	1,396	1,013
Vermont.....	170	179	8,645	7,012	2,846	3,535	2,807	2,364	Oklahoma.....	79	59	2,864	1,830	1,227	628	1,429	1,013
Iowa.....	164	132	8,192	5,307	2,898	1,767	2,931	2,041	Florida.....	74	67	2,943	1,918	1,097	1,013	2,204	1,545

The table shows that, with a single exception, five states and the District of Columbia reported the highest averages under each item. The states are Rhode Island, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, and New Jersey, the single exception occurring under membership where New Jersey is superseded by Utah.

These states, with the single exception noted, are those in which a large proportion of the church membership belongs to the Roman Catholic Church, which in 1916 reported a larger average membership per organization than any other denomination. They also have a large proportion of urban population, and, as is evi-

dent, the relative proportions of urban and rural population in the different states have an important influence upon the figures. This is illustrated by the District of Columbia, which is entirely urban, and has the highest average value of church property reported, the highest average value of parsonages, and next to the highest average debt. The average per organization usually will be much smaller in states where the population is distributed to a large extent through small rural communities than where it is concentrated in cities or large towns.

Considering Table 37 in connection with Table 36, the differences in rank when based upon numbers as compared with averages per organizations reporting are very marked. For instance, New York, except in number of organizations, was first in rank according to Table 36, but, as shown by Table 37, it was sixth in average members and has first rank only in average debt. Pennsylvania, which ranked second in every item in Table 36, is not within the first five states mentioned above when the rank is based upon the average per organization reporting. Rhode Island, whose rank was low throughout Table 36, stands first in members per organization, fourth in average value of church property, third in average debt, and second in average value of parsonages.

A comparison of the averages of 1916 and 1906, as presented in Table 37, shows that 10 states and the District of Columbia decreased in members per organization, the most noticeable decreases being in Montana and Nevada. These 2 states, also, are the only ones showing decreases in average value of church property, and Montana, with 6 other states, shows a decrease in average amount of debt. Every state increased in average value of parsonages since 1906.

The following statement, drawn from Table 37, shows the number of states represented in the different classes of averages in 1916 and 1906.

The statement shows that 8 states reported an average membership per organization of over 300 in 1916,

only 7 states having made such report in 1906. Six states reported an average value of church property amounting to over \$20,000 in 1916, as against 5 in 1906. The most noticeable changes in this respect are shown in value of parsonages.

AVERAGE PER ORGANIZATION.	NUMBER OF STATES REPORTING IN—	
	1916	1906
Membership:		
300 and over.....	8	7
200 but less than 300.....	9	9
100 but less than 200.....	24	21
Less than 100.....	8	12
Value of church property:		
\$20,000 and over.....	6	5
\$10,000 but less than \$20,000.....	8	4
\$5,000 but less than \$10,000.....	17	15
Less than \$5,000.....	18	25
Debt on church property:		
\$10,000 and over.....	2	2
\$5,000 but less than \$10,000.....	7	4
\$1,000 but less than \$5,000.....	34	30
Less than \$1,000.....	6	13
Value of parsonages:		
\$5,000 and over.....	6	3
\$2,000 but less than \$5,000.....	37	23
Less than \$2,000.....	6	23

Of the 7 states, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Utah, and the District of Columbia, which reported an average membership of over 300, all but Pennsylvania and Utah reported an average value of church property of over \$20,000 and an average value of parsonages of over \$5,000; 2 of them, New York and the District of Columbia, reported an average debt of over \$10,000.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MEMBERS BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS.

Table 38 gives the number and per cent distribution, by principal denominations, of the total church membership reported in each state in 1916, 1906, and 1890, respectively. The table includes those denominations which represented about 1 per cent of the total membership of the state in 1916 and combined covered 90 per cent or more of the total membership reported.

TABLE 38.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH STATE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.						STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.					
	1916		1906		1890			1916		1906		1890	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
NEW ENGLAND DIVISION.							MIDDLE ATLANTIC DIVISION.						
MAINE.							NEW YORK.						
All denominations.....	255,293	100.0	1233,003	100.0	1170,001	100.0	All denominations.....	4,315,404	100.0	13,995,345	100.0	12,375,316	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	148,530	58.2	1133,434	57.3	1167,703	39.8	Roman Catholic Church.....	2,745,552	63.6	12,689,139	67.3	11,350,624	57.1
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	32,537	12.7	20,813	8.9	18,492	10.9	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	328,250	7.6	291,910	7.3	242,492	10.2
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	22,551	8.8	20,087	8.6	22,996	13.5	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	227,685	5.3	193,890	4.0	127,218	5.4
Congregational Churches.....	21,641	8.5	21,093	9.1	21,523	12.7	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	222,888	5.2	186,278	4.7	154,083	6.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,028	2.2	5,520	2.4	3,291	1.9	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	182,443	4.2	163,047	4.1	129,711	5.5
Universalists.....	5,034	2.0	4,686	2.0	3,750	2.2	Jewish congregations.....	113,924	2.6	135,342	0.9	45,807	1.9
Free Baptists.....	2,955	1.2	11,698	5.0	16,294	9.6	Lutheran—General Council.....	73,581	1.7	65,450	1.6	39,430	1.7
Advent Christian Church.....	2,575	1.0	1,610	0.7	2,317	1.4	Reformed Church in America.....	60,773	1.5	63,350	1.0	52,228	2.2
Unitarians.....	2,488	1.0	2,762	1.2	2,421	1.4	Congregational Churches.....	65,021	1.5	57,351	1.4	45,080	1.9
All other denominations.....	11,354	4.4	11,800	4.8	11,214	6.6	All other denominations.....	289,287	6.7	248,679	6.2	182,037	7.7
NEW HAMPSHIRE.							NEW JERSEY.						
All denominations.....	210,736	100.0	1211,450	100.0	1109,886	100.0	All denominations.....	1,337,983	100.0	1935,448	100.0	1547,752	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	136,020	64.5	1141,015	66.7	1146,965	42.7	Roman Catholic Church.....	790,764	59.1	1519,332	55.5	1262,675	48.0
Congregational Churches.....	20,084	9.5	19,070	9.0	19,712	17.9	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	131,211	9.8	106,505	11.4	82,955	15.1
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	15,027	7.1	9,721	4.6	8,768	8.0	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	102,290	7.0	78,490	8.4	58,750	10.7
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	13,574	6.4	12,529	5.9	12,354	11.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	67,966	5.1	53,021	5.8	30,103	5.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,715	3.2	4,892	2.3	2,911	2.6	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	62,769	4.7	54,354	5.8	38,757	7.1
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	4,250	2.0	5,210	2.5	.....	.....	Reformed Church in America.....	37,959	2.8	32,290	3.6	24,057	4.4
Unitarians.....	3,890	1.8	3,629	1.7	3,252	3.0	Lutheran—General Council.....	19,680	1.5	15,323	1.6	7,940	1.4
Free Baptists.....	2,308	1.1	6,210	2.9	8,004	7.3	Baptists—National Convention.....	18,149	1.4	9,884	1.1	.....	.....
All other denominations.....	5,888	4.2	9,174	4.3	8,020	7.3	Jewish congregations.....	15,720	1.2	14,603	0.5	4,270	0.8
VERMONT.							Russian Orthodox Church.....	11,308	0.8	606	0.1	.....	.....
All denominations.....	145,682	100.0	1161,742	100.0	1113,870	100.0	Congregational Churches.....	10,839	0.8	8,460	0.9	4,012	0.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	78,178	53.7	1196,791	59.8	1150,365	44.2	All other denominations.....	69,298	5.2	51,080	5.5	35,318	8.1
Congregational Churches.....	22,912	15.7	22,109	13.7	20,465	18.0	PENNSYLVANIA.						
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	16,808	11.5	17,471	10.8	17,268	15.2	All denominations.....	4,114,527	100.0	13,191,387	100.0	11,825,283	100.0
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	9,797	6.7	8,450	5.2	8,933	7.8	Roman Catholic Church.....	1,830,532	44.5	1,429,099	44.8	1,657,020	36.0
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,000	4.1	5,278	3.3	4,335	3.8	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	427,509	10.4	318,011	10.0	222,880	12.2
Universalists.....	2,270	1.6	3,030	1.9	2,409	2.1	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	332,088	8.1	248,335	7.8	161,386	8.8
Unitarians.....	1,833	1.3	710	0.4	908	0.9	Reformed Church in the United States.....	209,256	5.1	177,270	5.6	122,944	6.7
Advent Christian Church.....	1,040	0.7	1,082	0.7	1,079	0.9	Lutheran—General Council.....	206,280	5.0	182,160	5.7	124,103	6.8
All other denominations.....	6,844	4.7	6,821	4.2	8,048	7.1	Lutheran—General Synod.....	165,394	4.0	125,263	3.9	78,938	4.3
MASSACHUSETTS.							Baptists—Northern Convention.....	153,864	3.7	118,661	3.7	85,122	4.6
All denominations.....	1,977,482	100.0	11,753,334	100.0	11,051,215	100.0	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	118,687	2.9	99,021	3.1	64,720	3.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	1,410,208	71.3	11,271,419	72.5	11,723,001	68.8	United Brethren in Christ.....	73,989	1.8	53,397	1.7	39,951	1.9
Congregational Churches.....	133,509	6.8	119,196	6.8	101,890	9.7	United Presbyterian Church.....	73,405	1.8	59,587	1.8	39,204	2.1
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	95,531	4.4	72,891	4.2	69,830	5.7	United Evangelical Church.....	62,792	1.5	45,480	1.4	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	75,965	3.8	61,026	3.5	58,477	5.6	Baptists—National Convention.....	40,398	1.0	20,369	0.6	.....	.....
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	75,217	3.8	51,636	2.9	26,855	2.6	Disciples of Christ.....	37,717	0.9	28,458	0.8	12,007	0.7
Unitarians.....	41,587	2.1	35,440	2.0	34,610	3.3	All other denominations.....	382,016	9.3	290,376	9.1	234,342	12.8
Jewish congregations.....	38,867	2.0	4,388	0.3	2,601	0.2	EAST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION.						
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	19,882	1.0	12,475	0.7	.....	.....	OHIO.						
Universalists.....	13,203	0.7	12,983	0.7	7,142	0.7	All denominations.....	2,291,793	100.0	11,841,282	100.0	11,274,723	100.0
All other denominations.....	82,493	4.2	111,280	6.3	36,819	3.5	Roman Catholic Church.....	843,856	36.8	1,658,059	35.6	1,395,428	31.0
RHODE ISLAND.							Methodist Episcopal Church.....	399,045	17.4	317,584	17.2	240,650	13.9
All denominations.....	344,060	100.0	1299,292	100.0	1165,082	100.0	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	138,800	6.1	114,772	6.2	82,444	0.5
Roman Catholic Church.....	261,312	75.9	1230,531	77.0	1113,829	69.0	Disciples of Christ.....	109,732	4.8	83,833	4.0	54,425	4.3
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	20,176	5.9	15,443	5.2	9,458	5.7	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	77,775	3.4	64,035	3.5	57,085	4.5
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	18,771	5.5	14,304	4.8	12,055	7.3	United Brethren in Christ.....	75,852	3.3	65,191	3.5	47,678	3.7
Congregational Churches.....	10,531	3.1	9,858	3.3	7,192	4.4	Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	59,309	2.6	45,987	2.5	31,261	2.5
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,801	2.3	6,636	2.2	6,064	3.7	Reformed Church in the United States.....	56,101	2.4	50,722	2.8	35,840	2.8
Armenian Church.....	4,000	1.2	2,103	0.7	70	(*)	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	47,175	2.1	32,399	1.8	17,454	1.4
All other denominations.....	21,469	6.2	20,517	6.9	16,414	9.9	Congregational Churches.....	45,606	2.0	43,555	2.4	32,281	2.5
CONNECTICUT.							German Evangelical Synod.....	40,458	1.8	35,168	1.9	31,617	2.5
All denominations.....	724,692	100.0	1555,415	100.0	1336,331	100.0	Lutheran—General Synod.....	39,503	1.7	30,317	1.6	18,487	1.4
Roman Catholic Church.....	483,534	66.8	1352,368	63.4	1179,935	53.5	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	30,233	1.3	25,210	1.4	15,440	1.2
Congregational Churches.....	71,188	9.8	65,554	11.8	59,154	17.6	Baptists—National Convention.....	27,978	1.2	17,400	0.9	.....	.....
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	48,854	6.7	37,466	6.7	26,652	7.9	Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	26,123	1.1	24,706	1.3	25,952	2.0
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	36,181	5.0	32,878	5.9	29,411	8.7	Methodist Protestant Church.....	25,629	1.1	23,494	1.3	18,931	1.5
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	26,243	3.6	25,317	4.6	22,372	6.7	Lutheran—General Council.....	23,456	1.0	18,237	1.0	10,804	0.8
Lutheran—General Council.....	14,971	2.1	13,951	2.5	3,767	1.1	United Presbyterian Church.....	21,613	0.9	18,336	1.0	14,710	1.2
Jewish congregations.....	8,688	1.2	1,733	0.3	1,621	0.5	Jewish congregations.....	20,151	0.9	15,078	0.8	8,889	0.7
Russian Orthodox Church.....	8,507	1.2	1,532	0.3	.....	.....	All other denominations.....	183,398	8.0	168,069	9.1	134,791	10.6
All other denominations.....	26,226	3.6	24,596	4.4	13,419	4.0							
* Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.													
* In 1906, heads of families only.													

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 \* In 1906, heads of families only.

\* Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.  
 \* For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.



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STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.				STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.									
	1916		1906			1890		1916		1906		1890			
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		
EAST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Contd.								EAST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Contd.							
INDIANA.								WISCONSIN—continued.							
All denominations.....	1,177,341	100.0	1,069,261	100.0	1,714,878	100.0									
Roman Catholic Church.....	272,288	23.1	1,205,705	21.2	1,140,118	19.6									
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	201,228	22.2	210,593	21.7	162,089	22.8									
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	137,727	11.7	108,188	11.2	78,942	11.0									
Baptists—Northern Convention	75,374	6.4	60,203	6.2	54,080	7.6									
United Brethren in Christ.....	59,955	5.1	48,059	5.0	35,824	5.0									
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	59,209	5.0	49,041	5.1	35,464	5.0									
Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	38,309	3.3	34,105	3.5	24,060	3.6									
Friends (Orthodox).....	26,658	2.3	29,255	3.0	25,915	3.6									
German Evangelical Synod.....	25,403	2.2	21,624	2.2	15,274	2.1									
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	20,253	1.7	21,307	2.2	19,832	2.8									
Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	16,512	1.4	10,259	1.1											
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	12,558	1.1	9,949	1.0	10,224	1.4									
Evangelical Association.....	10,876	0.9	8,787	0.9	6,738	0.9									
Reformed Church in the United States.....	10,642	0.9	8,289	0.9	6,269	0.9									
Lutheran—General Synod.....	10,505	0.9	7,753	0.8	6,090	0.9									
Baptists—National Convention.....	10,412	0.9	13,526	1.4											
Methodist Protestant Church.....	10,367	0.9	10,408	1.1	7,033	1.0									
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	9,570	0.8	8,310	0.9	5,095	0.7									
All other denominations.....	109,495	9.3	103,810	10.7	80,325	11.2									
ILLINOIS.															
All denominations.....	2,522,373	100.0	2,241,082	100.0	1,286,469	100.0									
Roman Catholic Church.....	1,171,381	46.4	1,096,569	48.9	1,559,205	43.5									
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	287,931	11.4	235,002	10.5	165,191	12.8									
Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	121,342	4.8	115,304	5.1	69,033	5.4									
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	116,639	4.6	101,516	4.5	60,867	4.7									
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	114,857	4.6	86,251	3.8	54,744	4.3									
Baptists—Northern Convention	84,406	3.3	113,884	5.3	95,237	7.4									
German Evangelical Synod.....	71,274	2.8	59,973	2.7	37,138	2.9									
Baptists—Southern Convention	62,822	2.5													
Congregational Churches.....	57,926	2.3	54,875	2.4	35,830	2.8									
Lutheran—General Council.....	42,726	1.7	30,366	1.6	19,446	1.5									
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	40,725	1.6	30,304	1.6	19,099	1.5									
Jewish congregations.....	33,377	1.3	5,286	0.2	10,171	0.8									
Lutheran—General Synod.....	23,678	0.9	14,708	0.7	7,438	0.6									
Baptists—National Convention.....	23,224	0.9	16,081	0.7</											

‡ In 1906 heads of families only.

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

\* For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

TABLE 38.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH STATE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.					STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.						
	1916		1906		1890		1916		1906		1890		
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.			Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.			
WEST NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Continued.						SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION.							
NORTH DAKOTA.						DELAWARE.							
All denominations.....	225,877	100.0	1 169,884	100.0	1 64,180	100.0	All denominations.....	86,524	100.0	1 75,526	100.0	1 50,757	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	95,859	42.4	1 72,072	42.4	1 31,081	48.5	Roman Catholic Church.....	30,183	34.9	1 28,503	37.7	1 13,854	27.3
Lutheran—United Norwegian Church.....	23,940	10.6	22,138	13.0	10,283	16.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	28,004	32.4	24,269	32.1	20,412	40.2
Lutheran—Norwegian Synod.....	15,042	6.7	11,980	7.1	2,784	4.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	6,197	7.2	5,086	6.7	4,022	9.1
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	13,479	6.0	10,033	5.9	4,804	7.5	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	4,656	5.4	3,796	5.0	2,719	5.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,295	4.1	0,727	4.0	3,036	4.7	Methodist Protestant Church.....	4,598	5.3	3,463	4.6	1,551	3.1
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	8,972	4.0	5,854	3.4	1,136	1.8	Baptists—Northern Convention African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,651	4.2	2,604	3.6	1,823	3.6
Congregational Churches.....	8,913	3.9	5,290	3.1	1,616	2.5	African Union Methodist Protestant Church.....	3,290	3.8	2,553	3.4	2,603	5.1
Baptists—Northern Convention Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	6,268	2.8	4,596	2.7	2,298	3.6	Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,629	1.9	1,264	1.7	308	0.7
Lutheran—Hauge's Synod.....	6,103	2.7	3,717	2.2	931	1.5	Lutheran—General Council.....	940	1.1	605	0.9	296	0.6
Lutheran—Norwegian Free Church.....	5,799	2.6	4,721	2.8	576	0.9	All other denominations.....	3,376	3.9	3,233	4.3	2,509	4.9
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	5,593	2.5	4,829	2.8	70	0.1	MARYLAND.						
Lutheran—General Council.....	3,623	1.6	2,269	1.3	651	1.0	All denominations.....	602,587	100.0	1 502,717	100.0	1 404,373	100.0
German Evangelical Synod.....	2,954	1.3	1,604	0.9	440	0.7	Roman Catholic Church.....	219,530	36.4	1 196,401	39.1	1 166,365	41.1
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,676	1.2	1,655	1.0	892	1.4	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	112,853	18.7	95,207	18.9	82,090	20.3
Evangelical Association.....	2,455	1.1	2,227	1.3	784	1.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	38,469	6.4	34,965	7.0	23,038	5.9
All other denominations.....	12,616	5.6	8,464	5.0	2,788	4.3	Lutheran—General Synod.....	33,555	5.6	24,824	4.9	17,288	4.3
SOUTH DAKOTA.						Baptists—National Convention.....	29,405	4.9	17,951	3.6	7,750	1.9	
All denominations.....	199,017	100.0	1 172,728	100.0	1 90,029	100.0	Methodist Protestant Church.....	22,174	3.7	16,373	3.3	13,283	3.3
Roman Catholic Church.....	72,113	36.2	1 71,781	41.6	1 30,259	33.6	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	19,603	3.3	15,927	3.2	10,593	2.6
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	21,429	10.8	15,485	9.0	11,371	12.6	Reformed Church in the United States.....	15,801	2.6	13,442	2.7	10,741	2.7
Lutheran—United Norwegian Church.....	15,786	7.9	15,004	8.7	7,922	8.8	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	15,751	2.6	12,642	2.5	10,604	2.6
Congregational Churches.....	11,762	5.9	8,699	5.0	5,164	5.7	Baptists—Southern Convention.....	14,650	2.4	11,232	2.2	8,017	2.0
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	11,544	5.8	8,285	4.8	3,097	3.4	Jewish congregations.....	12,056	2.0	8,153	0.4	3,675	0.9
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,855	5.0	6,764	3.9	4,413	4.9	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	10,509	1.7	9,613	1.9	12,359	3.1
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	8,852	4.4	6,097	3.5	3,856	4.3	United Brethren in Christ.....	8,237	1.4	6,445	1.3	4,736	1.2
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	8,156	4.1	7,055	4.1	2,649	2.9	Disciples of Christ.....	6,719	0.9	3,343	0.7	1,774	0.4
Lutheran—Norwegian Synod.....	6,533	3.3	6,489	3.8	3,030	3.4	Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	5,397	0.9	3,667	0.7	2,446	0.6
Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	6,282	3.2	4,103	2.4	2,440	2.7	All other denominations.....	38,878	6.5	38,632	7.7	28,835	7.1
Lutheran—Hauge's Synod.....	3,930	2.0	3,539	2.0	2,239	2.5	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.						
Lutheran—General Council.....	2,852	1.4	2,475	1.4	2,330	2.6	All denominations.....	164,413	100.0	1 144,484	100.0	1 100,837	100.0
Reformed Church in the United States.....	2,100	1.1	1,365	0.8	1,000	1.1	Roman Catholic Church.....	61,421	31.3	1 51,503	35.0	1 44,227	43.9
Disciples of Christ.....	1,784	0.9	1,478	0.9	490	0.5	Baptists—National Convention.....	27,544	16.8	20,203	13.1	12,717	12.6
Evangelical Association.....	1,752	0.9	1,642	1.0	1,628	1.8	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	18,295	11.1	13,602	9.5	7,476	7.4
All other denominations.....	14,287	7.2	12,567	7.3	8,141	9.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	13,085	8.0	11,019	7.0	9,610	9.0
NEBRASKA.						Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,667	5.9	10,777	7.6	3,000	3.0	
All denominations.....	440,791	100.0	1 363,585	100.0	1 203,555	100.0	Congregational Churches.....	9,338	5.7	8,182	5.7	4,882	4.8
Roman Catholic Church.....	185,837	30.7	1 118,545	32.6	1 60,592	29.8	Jewish congregations.....	3,255	2.0	2,984	2.1	1,399	1.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	81,879	18.6	62,588	17.2	41,088	20.2	Lutheran—General Synod.....	3,225	2.0	3,608	0.6	970	1.0
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	31,234	7.1	25,730	7.1	12,339	6.1	Disciples of Christ.....	3,050	1.9	2,129	1.6	1,038	1.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	26,233	6.0	20,684	5.7	12,159	6.0	Baptists—Southern Convention.....	3,038	1.8	2,170	1.6	700	0.7
Disciples of Christ.....	24,140	5.5	19,121	5.3	7,715	3.8	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,767	1.7	2,615	1.8	2,495	2.5
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	19,643	4.5	16,835	4.6	11,917	5.9	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	2,732	1.7	2,015	1.3	953	0.9
Congregational Churches.....	19,423	4.4	10,629	4.6	10,045	4.9	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,666	1.6	1,922	1.3	953	0.9
Lutheran—General Synod.....	18,208	4.1	12,807	3.5	3,731	1.8	Church.....	2,353	1.4	1,928	1.3	1,479	1.5
Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	9,261	2.1	7,303	2.0	4,228	2.1	All other denominations.....	11,977	7.3	8,062	6.0	6,244	6.2
Lutheran—General Council.....	8,205	1.9	6,859	1.9	2,976	1.5	VIRGINIA.						
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,931	1.8	6,903	1.9	4,036	2.0	All denominations.....	949,136	100.0	1 798,611	100.0	1 571,415	100.0
German Evangelical Synod.....	7,234	1.6	6,045	1.7	5,673	2.8	Baptists—National Convention.....	276,630	29.1	268,206	33.6	190,871	35.0
United Evangelical Church.....	5,456	1.2	3,882	1.1	2,142	1.1	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	202,648	21.4	157,354	19.7	105,892	18.5
All other denominations.....	43,361	9.8	36,604	10.1	24,916	12.2	Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	170,151	17.9	136,062	17.0	92,603	10.2
KANSAS.						Roman Catholic Church.....	49,186	5.2	36,569	4.6	26,515	4.6	
All denominations.....	610,347	100.0	1 474,636	100.0	1 348,498	100.0	Disciples of Christ.....	36,671	3.9	33,765	4.2	14,639	2.5
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	151,348	24.8	108,097	22.8	83,288	23.9	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	34,220	3.6	26,128	3.3	14,100	2.5
Roman Catholic Church.....	128,948	21.1	1 109,841	23.1	1 79,485	22.8	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	33,593	3.5	28,487	3.6	20,871	3.6
Disciples of Christ.....	67,554	11.1	40,366	8.5	25,200	7.2	Lutheran—United Synod, South.....	22,526	2.4	18,678	2.3	16,764	2.9
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	46,906	7.7	34,975	7.4	32,172	9.2	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	14,610	1.5	13,203	1.7	11,190	2.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	45,263	7.4	33,465	7.1	24,050	6.9	Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	13,581	1.4	9,889	1.2	12,314	2.2
United Brethren in Christ.....	19,924	3.3	15,169	3.2	13,768	4.0	Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	13,558	1.4	8,266	1.0	5,770	1.0
Congregational Churches.....	16,890	2.8	15,247	3.2	11,945	3.4	Primitive Baptists.....	12,712	1.3	9,078	1.1	6,659	1.2
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	15,081	2.5	12,036	2.5	5,906	1.7	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	9,314	1.0	9,042	1.2	9,950	1.7
Baptists—National Convention.....	13,477	2.2	10,011	2.1	5,253	1.5	Zion Church.....	9,199	1.0	5,474	0.7	11,795	2.1
Lutheran—General Council.....	8,651	1.4	7,782	1.6	7,762	2.2	All other denominations.....	50,537	5.3	37,820	4.7	23,019	4.0
Friends (Orthodox).....	7,586	1.2	7,394	1.5	2,835	0.8							
Lutheran—General Synod.....	6,780	1.1	4,583	1.0	4,459	1.3							
Evangelical Association.....	6,210	1.0	4,841	1.0	3,593	1.0							
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,843	1.0	4,459	1.0	3,593	1.0							
Churches of Christ.....	5,573	0.9	3,218	0.7	48,782	14.0							
All other denominations.....	64,310	10.5	61,464	12.9									
1 Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.													
2 For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.													

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<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>3</sup> In 1906, heads of families only.

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TABLE 38.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH STATE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.						STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.					
	1916		1906		1890			1916		1906		1890	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION—Continued.							SOUTH ATLANTIC DIVISION—Continued.						
WEST VIRGINIA.							GEORGIA—continued.						
All denominations.....	427,865	100.0	1 308,626	100.0	1 192,679	100.0	Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	49,976	4.0	34,501	3.3	22,840	3.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	82,551	19.3	61,641	20.0	48,925	25.4	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	28,749	2.3	28,579	2.8	25,400	3.7
Baptists—Northern Convention	62,459	14.6	48,636	15.8	34,154	17.7	Presbyterian Church in the						
Roman Catholic Church.....	60,337	14.1	147,072	15.3	118,415	9.6	United States.....	25,181	2.0	20,258	2.0	12,096	1.8
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	53,020	12.4	36,632	11.9	25,064	13.0	Roman Catholic Church.....	18,214	1.5	12,674	2.2	13,209	1.9
United Brethren in Christ.....	29,426	6.9	19,993	6.5	12,242	6.4	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	16,885	1.4	12,703	1.2	4,670	0.7
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	19,227	4.5	10,729	3.5	5,807	3.0	Primitive Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	15,871	1.3	16,157	1.6	18,535	2.7
Methodist Protestant Church.....	18,948	4.4	16,004	5.2	10,652	5.5	All other denominations.....	64,937	5.3	59,002	5.7	38,052	5.6
Baptists—National Convention	16,238	3.8	10,057	3.3	4,233	2.2							
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	15,705	3.7	10,047	3.3	5,995	3.1	FLORIDA.						
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	11,644	2.7	8,514	2.8	4,275	2.2	All denominations.....	324,856	100.0	1 224,407	100.0	1 144,710	100.0
Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	10,342	2.4	2,594	0.8			Baptists—National Convention	69,865	21.5	48,371	21.6	20,828	14.4
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,831	1.6	5,230	1.7	2,906	1.5	Baptists—Southern Convention	57,732	17.8	34,646	15.4	18,747	13.0
Church of the Brethren (Conservative) <sup>2</sup> .....	4,179	1.0	3,457	1.1	2,710	1.4	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	51,505	15.9	32,330	14.4	25,362	17.5
All other denominations.....	36,958	8.6	28,020	9.1	17,301	9.0	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	39,402	12.1	35,713	15.9	22,463	15.5
NORTH CAROLINA.							Roman Catholic Church.....	24,650	7.6	1 20,596	9.2	19,843	13.7
All denominations.....	1,080,723	100.0	1 825,088	100.0	1 685,660	100.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	12,418	3.8	8,287	3.7	5,730	4.0
Baptists—Southern Convention	279,112	25.8	202,798	24.6	153,648	22.4	African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	11,496	3.5	3,223	1.4	14,791	10.2
Baptists—National Convention	212,019	19.6	153,189	18.6	134,445	19.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	10,399	3.2	8,575	3.8	4,225	2.9
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	199,764	18.5	151,808	18.4	114,385	16.7	Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	10,170	3.1	5,534	2.5	3,444	2.4
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	74,365	6.9	66,356	8.0	111,949	16.3	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	3,790	1.2	2,194	1.0	1,306	0.9
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	57,836	5.4	41,822	5.0	27,477	4.0	Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	3,510	1.1	5,350	2.4		
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	26,384	2.4	20,805	2.5	16,433	2.4	All other denominations.....	29,919	9.2	19,588	8.7	7,962	5.5
Free Will Baptists.....	22,914	2.1	22,518	2.7	10,224	1.5	EAST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION.						
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	20,433	1.9	16,797	2.0	16,156	2.4	KENTUCKY.						
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	20,096	1.9	13,842	1.6	12,437	1.8	All denominations.....	967,602	100.0	1 887,602	100.0	1 622,721	100.0
Lutheran—United Synod, South.....	19,450	1.8	14,881	1.8	11,759	1.7	Baptists—Southern Convention	252,554	26.1	211,552	23.8	153,668	24.7
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	18,545	1.7	13,890	1.7	8,186	1.2	Roman Catholic Church.....	100,185	16.6	1 195,180	22.0	1 108,828	17.5
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	18,299	1.7	15,909	1.9	12,736	1.9	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	129,912	13.4	123,559	13.9	77,647	12.5
Methodist Protestant Church.....	18,038	1.7	18,271	2.2	14,351	2.1	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	114,795	11.9	99,355	11.2	82,430	13.2
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	12,062	1.1	10,696	1.3	6,516	1.0	Baptists—National Convention	94,052	10.1	76,239	8.6	50,245	8.1
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	10,773	1.0	10,099	1.2			Methodist Episcopal Church.....	30,147	3.1	30,158	3.4	29,172	4.7
Baptists, Primitive <sup>2</sup> .....	10,481	1.0	10,207	1.2	11,740	1.7	Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	24,216	2.5	12,451	1.4		
All other denominations.....	60,158	5.6	142,200	5.1	123,218	3.4	Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	22,242	2.3	20,143	2.3	16,915	2.7
SOUTH CAROLINA.							United Baptists.....	17,125	1.8	7,167	0.8	6,443	1.0
All denominations.....	794,126	100.0	1 667,754	100.0	1 509,431	100.0	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	14,354	1.5	8,543	1.0	6,917	1.1
Baptists—National Convention	255,479	32.2	219,841	32.9	125,572	24.6	Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	11,827	1.2	16,816	1.9	15,458	2.5
Baptists—Southern Convention	158,151	19.9	118,360	17.7	76,216	15.0	African Methodist Episcopal	10,187	1.1	10,047	1.1	13,972	2.2
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	105,306	13.3	84,266	12.6	68,092	13.4	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	9,383	1.0	8,091	0.9	7,161	1.1
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	90,469	11.4	79,220	11.9	88,172	17.3	All other denominations.....	72,623	7.5	68,095	7.7	53,865	8.6
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	52,568	6.6	54,097	8.1	43,200	8.5	TENNESSEE.						
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	30,041	3.8	23,395	3.5	16,561	3.3	All denominations.....	840,133	100.0	1 700,614	100.0	1 554,841	100.0
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	23,169	2.9	19,058	2.9	45,880	9.0	Baptists—Southern Convention	202,867	24.1	159,838	22.8	106,632	19.2
Lutheran—United Synod, South.....	14,788	1.9	12,652	1.9	8,757	1.7	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	167,270	19.9	140,308	20.0	121,398	21.9
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	11,000	1.4	8,557	1.3	5,742	1.1	Baptists—National Convention	108,650	12.9	93,303	13.3	52,183	9.4
Roman Catholic Church.....	9,514	1.2	12,138	1.8	16,306	1.2	Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	63,521	7.6	41,411	5.9		
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,320	1.0	8,026	1.2	6,829	1.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	56,484	6.7	46,180	6.6	42,673	7.7
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,342	0.9	4,850	0.7	3,468	0.7	Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	30,106	3.6	20,634	2.9	18,068	3.4
All other denominations.....	27,979	3.5	23,294	3.4	14,636	2.9	Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	27,631	3.3	42,464	6.1	39,477	7.1
GEORGIA.							Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	25,606	3.0	21,390	3.1	15,954	2.9
All denominations.....	1,234,132	100.0	1 1,032,438	100.0	1 681,032	100.0	Church.....	23,497	2.8	23,377	3.3	23,718	4.3
Baptists—National Convention	400,214	32.4	333,943	32.3	200,516	29.4	Roman Catholic Church.....	23,015	2.7	1 20,206	2.9	1 21,118	3.8
Baptists—Southern Convention	305,055	24.7	232,688	22.5	137,860	20.2	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	21,672	2.6	14,904	2.1	41,125	7.4
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	219,755	17.8	178,307	17.3	134,600	19.8	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	17,584	2.1	6,786	1.0	4,369	0.8
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	89,295	7.2	93,626	9.1	73,248	10.8	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	9,910	1.2	7,874	1.1	5,671	1.0
							Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	8,925	1.1	10,204	1.5	12,987	2.3
							African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	8,786	1.0	6,651	0.9	12,434	2.2
							All other denominations.....	44,609	5.3	44,994	6.4	35,904	6.5

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 38.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH STATE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.						STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.					
	1916		1906		1890			1916		1906		1890	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Continued.							WEST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION—Continued.						
ALABAMA.							OKLAHOMA.						
All denominations.....	1,009,465	100.0	1 831,671	100.0	1 561,506	100.0	All denominations.....	424,492	100.0	1 263,550	100.0	1 34,619	100.0
Baptists—National Convention	311,103	30.8	259,825	31.2	142,437	25.4	Baptists—Southern Convention	87,028	20.5	49,978	19.0	9,363	27.0
Baptists—Southern Convention	207,603	20.6	182,445	19.5	98,185	17.5	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	60,263	14.2	40,473	15.4	10,498	30.3
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	167,938	16.6	125,702	15.1	87,912	15.7	Roman Catholic Church.....	47,427	11.2	1 42,998	16.3	1 2,953	8.5
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	51,284	5.1	36,705	4.4	79,231	14.1	Baptists—National Convention	42,408	10.0	16,952	6.4	.....	.....
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	42,658	4.2	39,617	4.8	30,781	5.5	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	41,811	9.8	24,232	9.2	2,242	6.5
Roman Catholic Church.....	37,482	3.7	1 49,747	6.0	1 15,565	2.8	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	40,148	9.5	23,309	8.8	2,062	6.0
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	34,587	3.4	23,112	2.8	18,940	3.4	Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	21,700	5.1	8,074	3.1	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	26,933	2.7	20,450	2.5	18,517	3.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	20,222	4.8	9,607	3.7	2,253	6.5
Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	20,943	2.1	9,214	1.1	.....	.....	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,250	1.7	6,243	2.4	489	1.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	20,428	2.0	15,368	1.8	10,560	1.9	Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	5,541	1.3	2,858	1.1	201	0.8
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	10,069	1.0	8,961	1.1	6,085	1.1	United Brethren in Christ.....	3,078	0.9	2,819	1.1	.....	.....
All other denominations.....	78,437	7.8	80,525	9.7	53,293	9.5	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	3,899	0.9	2,907	1.1	.....	.....
MISSISSIPPI.							Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,566	0.8	2,024	0.8	105	0.3
All denominations.....	762,977	100.0	1 662,424	100.0	1 432,560	100.0	Congregational Churches.....	3,419	0.8	2,677	1.0	297	0.9
Baptists—National Convention	287,796	37.7	240,982	36.4	136,647	31.6	Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,396	0.8	1,323	0.5	629	1.8
Baptists—Southern Convention	153,497	20.1	123,357	18.6	82,315	19.0	All other denominations.....	32,436	7.6	27,016	10.3	3,437	9.9
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	114,460	15.0	94,845	14.3	74,785	17.3	TEXAS.						
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	45,482	6.0	50,695	7.7	31,142	7.2	All denominations.....	1,784,620	100.0	1 1,281,322	100.0	1 604,743	100.0
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	33,070	4.3	25,814	3.9	20,107	4.6	Roman Catholic Church.....	402,874	22.0	1 362,772	28.3	1 117,283	16.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	32,160	4.2	1 33,619	5.1	1 13,351	3.1	Baptists—Southern Convention	355,251	19.9	247,306	10.3	120,734	18.7
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	26,133	3.4	28,797	4.3	25,430	5.9	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	316,812	17.8	225,431	17.6	139,347	20.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	19,758	2.6	15,641	2.4	11,055	2.6	Baptists—National Convention	291,243	16.3	144,878	11.3	111,138	16.0
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	7,202	0.9	5,602	0.8	8,519	2.0	Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	71,642	4.0	34,006	2.7	.....	.....
All other denominations.....	43,410	5.7	43,072	6.5	20,200	6.8	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	54,836	3.1	39,550	3.1	41,850	6.0
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL DIVISION.							Methodist Episcopal Church.....	42,003	2.4	30,223	2.8	27,453	4.0
ARKANSAS.							Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	37,900	2.1	23,034	1.9	10,774	1.6
All denominations.....	583,209	100.0	1 431,896	100.0	1 296,886	100.0	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	30,857	1.7	24,919	1.9	23,392	3.4
Baptists—National Convention	174,157	29.9	93,364	21.6	63,789	21.5	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	30,329	1.7	4,118	0.3	2,812	0.4
Baptists—Southern Convention	113,192	19.4	91,631	21.2	58,394	19.7	Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	28,449	1.6	18,428	1.4	14,895	2.1
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	110,993	19.0	81,699	18.9	71,565	24.1	Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	19,187	1.1	12,758	1.0	.....	.....
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	30,457	5.2	26,903	6.2	27,956	9.4	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	17,110	1.0	14,246	1.1	7,007	1.0
Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	26,239	4.5	11,008	2.5	.....	.....	All other denominations.....	86,221	4.8	92,753	7.2	68,959	9.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	21,120	3.6	1 38,114	8.8	1 4,523	1.5	MOUNTAIN DIVISION.						
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	15,260	2.6	11,500	2.7	5,888	2.0	MONTANA.						
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	13,275	2.3	10,269	2.4	14,385	4.8	All denominations.....	137,566	100.0	1 111,753	100.0	1 36,916	100.0
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	12,419	2.1	12,569	2.9	10,076	3.4	Roman Catholic Church.....	78,113	56.8	1 85,128	76.2	1 29,587	80.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	10,762	1.8	7,357	1.7	4,478	1.5	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	12,615	9.2	5,819	5.2	1,901	5.1
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	7,668	1.3	2,404	0.6	3,601	1.2	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	6,792	4.9	4,090	3.7	1,232	3.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	7,451	1.3	809	0.2	494	0.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	4,007	3.3	3,290	2.9	1,104	3.0
All other denominations.....	40,207	6.9	44,265	10.2	31,770	10.7	Baptists—Northern Convention	4,073	3.0	2,029	1.8	683	1.9
LOUISIANA.							Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	4,033	2.9	690	0.6	130	0.4
All denominations.....	863,067	100.0	1 863,214	100.0	1 437,361	100.0	Congregational Churches.....	3,841	2.8	954	0.9	345	0.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	509,910	59.1	1 562,087	65.1	1 249,133	57.0	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	3,719	2.7	2,008	1.8	785	2.1
Baptists—National Convention	146,729	17.0	133,510	15.5	68,008	15.5	Lutheran—United Norwegian Church.....	2,893	2.1	575	0.5	87	0.2
Baptists—Southern Convention	66,298	7.7	49,620	5.7	27,736	6.3	Serbian Orthodox Church.....	2,700	2.0	1,500	1.3	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	38,940	4.5	31,639	3.7	24,874	5.7	Lutheran—Norwegian Synod.....	2,203	1.6	1,290	1.2	165	0.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	18,311	2.1	19,763	2.3	15,073	3.4	Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	1,460	1.1	242	0.2	.....	.....
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	13,762	1.6	11,728	1.4	8,075	1.8	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	1,258	0.9	1,068	1.0	492	1.3
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	11,632	1.3	9,070	1.1	5,162	1.2	All other denominations.....	9,259	0.7	8,064	2.7	405	1.1
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	10,260	1.2	9,462	1.1	13,631	3.1	IDAHO.						
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	9,636	1.1	7,198	0.8	4,926	1.1	All denominations.....	135,336	100.0	1 77,765	100.0	1 24,855	100.0
All other denominations.....	37,598	4.4	29,137	3.4	20,743	4.7	Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	72,439	53.5	32,159	41.4	14,810	59.5
							Roman Catholic Church.....	17,947	13.3	1 21,244	27.3	1 5,058	22.7
							Methodist Episcopal Church.....	11,373	8.4	5,813	6.8	941	3.8
							Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,943	5.1	3,698	4.8	815	3.3
							Baptists—Northern Convention	5,682	4.2	2,331	3.0	650	2.6
							Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	5,065	3.7	3,200	4.1	350	1.4
							Congregational Churches.....	2,827	2.1	1,487	1.9	105	0.4
							Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,404	1.8	1,846	2.4	364	1.5
							Seventh-day Adventists.....	1,065	0.8	430	0.6	148	0.6
							All other denominations.....	9,641	7.1	8,051	7.8	1,032	4.1

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

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TABLE 38.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH STATE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890—Continued.

STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.						STATE AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.					
	1916		1906		1890			1916		1906		1890	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
MOUNTAIN DIVISION—Contd.													
WYOMING.													
All denominations.....	39,505	100.0	1 25,750	100.0	1 12,973	100.0	Methodist Episcopal Church....	777	4.8	618	3.7	418	6.4
Roman Catholic Church.....	12,801	32.4	1 12,075	40.9	1 8,463	65.2	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	501	3.1	520	3.1	275	4.2
Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	9,447	23.9	5,203	20.2	1,322	10.2	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	444	2.8	148	0.9	.....	.....
Methodist Episcopal Church....	4,233	10.9	1,012	6.3	773	6.0	Baptists—Northern Convention	358	2.2	316	1.9	83	1.0
Protestant Episcopal Church....	3,890	9.8	1,741	6.8	407	3.0	All other denominations.....	689	4.3	1,057	6.3	214	3.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	2,514	6.4	984	3.8	304	2.8	PACIFIC DIVISION.						
Congregational Churches.....	1,051	4.9	833	3.2	330	2.6	WASHINGTON.						
Baptists—Northern Convention	1,811	4.7	838	3.3	202	2.0	All denominations.....	283,709	100.0	1 205,208	100.0	1 62,477	100.0
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	703	1.0	202	1.1	48	0.4	Roman Catholic Church.....	97,415	34.3	1 88,213	43.0	1 24,527	39.3
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	704	1.8	172	0.7	.....	.....	Methodist Episcopal Church....	40,020	14.1	29,347	14.3	11,592	18.6
All other denominations.....	1,301	3.3	2,000	7.8	945	7.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	28,435	10.0	14,437	7.0	3,770	6.0
COLORADO.													
All denominations.....	257,977	100.0	1 231,281	100.0	1 95,151	100.0	Baptists—Northern Convention	17,738	6.3	12,440	6.1	3,870	6.2
Roman Catholic Church.....	104,982	40.7	1 117,435	52.0	1 55,425	58.2	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	17,621	6.2	10,140	4.9	5,816	9.3
Methodist Episcopal Church....	38,584	15.0	24,830	11.1	8,500	9.0	Congregational Churches.....	10,137	5.7	10,025	4.9	3,154	5.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	22,900	8.9	10,055	7.2	5,002	6.2	Protestant Episcopal Church....	10,881	3.8	6,780	3.8	1,698	2.7
Baptists—Northern Convention	16,528	6.4	12,917	5.8	4,944	5.2	Seventh-day Adventist.....	4,401	1.6	2,545	1.2	386	0.6
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	12,805	5.0	8,521	3.8	2,400	2.5	Lutheran—Norwegian Synod....	3,944	1.3	2,592	1.3	560	0.9
Congregational Churches.....	11,782	4.6	8,951	4.0	3,217	3.4	Lutheran—General Council.....	3,725	1.3	3,195	1.6	10	( <sup>1</sup> )
Protestant Episcopal Church....	8,437	3.3	6,832	3.1	3,814	4.0	Jewish congregations.....	3,699	1.3	2,506	1.2	446	0.7
Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	3,358	1.3	2,191	1.0	1,640	1.7	Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	2,960	1.0	1 488	0.2	150	0.2
Seventh-day Adventists.....	2,762	1.1	2,311	1.0	414	0.4	Lutheran—United Norwegian Church.....	2,740	1.0	1,080	0.5	.....	.....
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	2,738	1.1	1,651	0.7	394	0.4	Unitarians.....	2,734	1.0	1,990	1.0	810	1.3
United Presbyterian Church....	2,707	1.0	1,708	0.8	537	0.6	United Presbyterians.....	2,176	0.8	553	0.3	802	1.3
Jewish congregations.....	2,350	0.9	1 853	0.4	1,002	1.1	United Presbyterian Church....	2,124	0.7	1,610	0.8	103	0.2
Baptists—National Convention	2,020	0.8	.....	.....	.....	.....	All other denominations.....	27,000	9.5	17,201	8.4	4,768	7.6
All other denominations.....	25,958	10.1	18,933	8.5	6,842	7.2	OREGON.						
NEW MEXICO.													
All denominations.....	209,800	100.0	1 158,400	100.0	1 123,498	100.0	All denominations.....	179,468	100.0	1 126,461	100.0	1 75,859	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	177,725	84.7	1 143,000	90.2	1 118,325	95.8	Roman Catholic Church.....	49,728	27.7	1 41,549	32.9	1 35,508	46.9
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	7,120	3.4	2,889	1.8	548	0.4	Methodist Episcopal Church....	27,800	15.5	18,681	14.8	9,436	12.4
Baptists—Southern Convention	6,721	3.2	.....	.....	.....	.....	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	16,672	9.3	9,701	7.7	3,935	5.2
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,355	2.1	3,513	2.2	1,750	1.4	Baptists—Northern Convention	15,635	8.7	11,099	8.8	5,306	7.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,802	1.9	2,864	1.8	1,275	1.0	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	15,399	8.6	10,012	7.9	4,067	5.4
Disciples of Christ <sup>1</sup> .....	2,294	1.1	903	0.6	65	0.1	Congregational Churches.....	6,373	3.6	4,575	3.6	2,037	2.7
All other denominations.....	7,680	3.7	5,168	3.3	1,545	1.2	Protestant Episcopal Church....	6,720	3.2	3,580	2.8	1,849	2.4
ARIZONA.													
All denominations.....	117,014	100.0	1 80,318	100.0	1 30,325	100.0	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	3,600	2.0	250	0.2	.....	.....
Roman Catholic Church.....	84,742	72.4	1 35,071	60.7	1 22,353	73.7	Seventh-day Adventist.....	3,476	1.9	1,844	1.6	683	0.9
Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	12,400	10.7	6,175	12.3	6,500	21.4	Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	2,831	1.6	1,496	1.2	.....	.....
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	4,353	3.7	2,884	5.7	188	0.6	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	2,515	1.4	2,272	1.8	1,936	2.6
Methodist Episcopal Church....	3,712	3.2	1,713	3.4	320	1.1	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	2,337	1.3	1,080	0.9	274	0.4
Baptists—Northern Convention	2,927	2.5	1,034	2.1	197	0.6	Lutheran—General Council.....	2,102	1.2	2,211	1.7	305	0.4
Protestant Episcopal Church....	2,318	2.0	1,050	2.1	179	0.6	Friends (Orthodox).....	2,129	1.2	1,658	1.3	768	1.0
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	1,039	1.7	682	1.4	336	1.1	United Brethren in Christ.....	1,945	1.1	1,533	1.2	493	0.6
Disciples of Christ <sup>1</sup> .....	1,712	1.5	484	1.0	78	0.3	United Evangelical Church....	1,696	0.9	1,061	1.3	.....	.....
All other denominations.....	2,815	2.4	1,485	2.4	174	0.6	Evangelical Association.....	1,480	0.8	1 001	0.8	1,199	1.6
UTAH.													
All denominations.....	280,848	100.0	1 174,280	100.0	1 120,100	100.0	Jewish congregations.....	1,315	0.7	1 414	0.3	1,165	1.5
Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	257,719	91.8	1 151,032	86.7	1 117,040	91.1	Apostolic Faith.....	1,142	0.6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roman Catholic Church.....	10,000	3.6	1 9,831	5.6	1 7,000	5.4	Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	1,133	0.6	408	0.3	.....	.....
All other denominations.....	13,129	4.7	13,426	7.7	4,517	3.5	All other denominations.....	14,409	8.0	10,306	8.5	6,842	9.0
NEVADA.													
All denominations.....	10,145	100.0	1 10,703	100.0	1 6,575	100.0	CALIFORNIA.						
Roman Catholic Church.....	8,742	84.1	1 11,720	70.2	1 4,052	70.8	All denominations.....	893,399	100.0	1 674,007	100.0	1 308,298	100.0
Latter Day Saints—Church of Jesus Christ.....	3,420	21.2	1,105	6.6	417	6.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	494,539	55.4	1 416,951	61.9	1 184,525	59.9
Protestant Episcopal Church....	1,207	7.5	1,210	7.2	535	8.1	Methodist Episcopal Church....	84,642	9.5	50,985	7.6	25,527	8.3
NEVADA—continued.													
Methodist Episcopal Church....	84,642	9.5	50,985	7.6	.....	.....	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	54,011	6.0	32,449	4.8	16,236	5.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	54,011	6.0	32,449	4.8	16,236	5.3	Baptists—Northern Convention	39,570	4.4	22,600	3.4	11,204	3.6
Baptists—Northern Convention	34,180	3.8	23,690	3.5	11,907	3.9	Congregational Churches.....	34,180	3.8	23,690	3.5	11,907	3.9
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	32,211	3.6	20,272	3.0	7,433	2.4	Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	32,211	3.6	20,272	3.0	7,433	2.4
Protestant Episcopal Church....	30,018	3.4	21,317	3.2	9,221	3.0	Methodist Episcopal Church....	30,018	3.4	21,317	3.2	9,221	3.0
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	12,176	1.4	10,222	1.5	7,497	2.4	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	12,176	1.4	10,222	1.5	7,497	2.4
Seventh-day Adventist.....	10,973	1.2	6,396	0.9	2,226	0.7	Seventh-day Adventist.....	10,973	1.2	6,396	0.9	2,226	0.7
Jewish congregations.....	8,178	0.9	2 028	0.3	6,179	2.0	Jewish congregations.....	8,178	0.9	2 028	0.3	6,179	2.0
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	7,582	0.8	5,247	0.8	1,702	0.6	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	7,582	0.8	5,247	0.8	1,702	0.6
All other denominations.....	85,280	9.5	61,850	9.2	24,041	8.0	All other denominations.....	85,280	9.5	61,850	9.2	24,041	8.0

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>2</sup> For change in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> In 1906, heads of families only.  
<sup>4</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent

An examination of this table shows that, as a rule, a very large proportion of the total membership of the state is in a very few denominations. Thus, in 1916, over 50 per cent of the total membership is found in the leading denomination in 17 states, in the 2 leading denominations in 15 states, in the 3 leading denominations in 15 states, and in the 4 leading denominations in 2 states—Oklahoma and West Virginia. Only in 6 states—Kentucky, Oklahoma, West Virginia, Florida, South Carolina, and Texas—does the fourth denomination in rank have as many as 10 per cent of the total membership of the state.

The table shows that in 1916, as in 1906, the Roman Catholic Church was first in number of members in 33 states and the District of Columbia, and in 1916 it represented over 50 per cent of the total number of members in 15 of these states as against 17 such states in 1906. The 33 states in which this denomination showed the largest proportions were identical at the two periods, with the exception of Indiana and Kansas, the Methodist Episcopal Church leading in the former in 1906 and in the latter in 1916. Geographically, the Roman Catholic Church led in the New England, the Middle Atlantic, the East North Central, and Pacific divisions, and in the West North Central division, except Kansas. In the southern divisions it led in Delaware, Maryland, and the District of Columbia, of the South Atlantic, and in Louisiana and Texas, of the West South Central division. Although the membership of the Roman Catholic Church is thus widely distributed among the states, yet a large proportion of this membership is concentrated in the larger and more thickly settled states of the North and East. There were 25 states for each of which there were reported in 1916 over 100,000 members of the Roman Catholic Church, and each of 4 states reported over 1,000,000 members—New York, 2,745,552; Pennsylvania, 1,830,532; Massachusetts, 1,410,208; Illinois, 1,171,381. These 4 states, together with Ohio, which had 843,856 Roman Catholic members, reported 8,001,529 Roman Catholic members, or over one-half the total membership of this church in 1916. It should be remembered, however, that since the Roman Catholic membership includes all baptized members, and therefore practically the entire Roman Catholic population, the basis of membership is different from

that for most of the other denominations, and this fact must be taken into consideration in studying the figures contained in Table 38.

The denominations showing the highest proportions in the 15 states in which the Roman Catholic Church was not the leading denomination were as follows: National Baptist Convention (Negro) in 7 states (Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina, and Virginia); the Southern Baptist Convention in 4 states (Kentucky, North Carolina, Oklahoma, and Tennessee); the Methodist Episcopal Church in 2 states (Kansas and West Virginia); and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in 2 states (Idaho and Utah).

Comparing the proportions of these leading denominations in 1916 with 1906, it is seen that in the 33 states and the District of Columbia in which the Roman Catholic Church led, it was with a decreased proportion in 27, the most noticeable reductions being in the states of the Mountain division—Montana, from 76.2 to 56.8; Wyoming, from 46.9 to 32.4; Colorado, from 52.6 to 40.7; and Nevada, from 70.2 to 54.1 per cent. Among the other 4 leading denominations, the National Baptist Convention showed a decreased proportion in 4 out of 7 states, the Southern Baptist Convention showed an increased proportion in each of its 4 states, the Methodist Episcopal Church showed an increased proportion in 1 and a decreased proportion in the other, while the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints showed an increased proportion in each of its 2 states, that in Idaho rising from 41.4 to 53.5 per cent.

The changes in the proportions shown by the different denominations in each state, aside from the leading denomination, are not very marked. It may be noted, however, that the Roman Catholic Church showed a decreased proportion in each of the 15 states in which it was not the leading denomination; the proportion in North Carolina not being sufficiently large to be included in the table. The Latter Day Saints made a large gain in the proportion in Nevada, from 6.6 to 21.2 per cent, while the decrease from 5 to 1.2 per cent in the Free Baptists in Maine was due largely to some of the organizations being reported with the Northern Baptist Convention in 1916.



## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR COUNTIES.

The number of members in church organizations, by counties, is given in Table 63 (p. 238). The table presents for each state, by counties, the total population according to the census of 1910, the total church membership in 1916, and the membership of the principal denominations in the state. The denominations are selected and vary with the state, the purpose of the table being to present those denominations which were most strongly represented in the particular state in 1916. In the few cases where denominations have been consolidated, it is indicated either in the box-head of the table or in footnotes.

## DISTRIBUTION OF MEMBERS.

A study of Table 63 shows that out of over 3,000 counties in the United States, only 9 made no report of members. One of these—Alpine County, Calif., with a population of 309—is in the heart of the Sierras; another, with a population of 519, is in Yellowstone National Park, Wyo.; of the remaining 7, 6 are in western Texas, where the population is widely scattered and the facilities for intercommunication poor, and 1 is an unorganized county in South Dakota.

A further examination shows wide variations in the counties of some states with regard to the number of church members reported in 1916 as compared with the population shown by the latest census, that of 1910. This is especially true in some of the newly settled and sparsely populated states, but even in such old and densely populated states as Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and New York frequently the variation in the different counties of the state is very marked. Counties containing large cities will show a proportionally large number of church members, while in isolated counties, especially in some of the very sparsely populated counties in the Western states, the number of church members is comparatively small.

The next statement shows the counties in which the church members reported in 1916 represent an exceptionally small proportion of their population in 1910.

The statement shows that the church membership in Pike County, Pa., which is to a large extent without railroad communication, represents but 21.6 per cent of the population of 1910, although the similar percentage for the state is 53.7. Knott County, in Kentucky, which is very inaccessible, shows a percentage of only 8.3, while the general percentage for the state is 42.3. The membership of Grand County, Colo., a mountainous county with scattered population, represents only 4.8 per cent of its population in 1910, as against 32.3 per cent for the entire state. In Kansas the church members of the very sparsely populated counties of Grant and Stanton represent 4 and 6.3 per cent, respectively, of their population in 1910, as com-

pared with a percentage of 36.1 for the state as a whole. It will be noted that, with a few exceptions, these are counties of small population in the Western states. In a number of these western counties the population in 1910 was less than 1 per square mile.

COUNTY.	Popula- tion: 1910.	Church mem- bers: 1916.	COUNTY.	Popula- tion: 1910.	Church mem- bers: 1916.
Arkansas:			Nevada:		
Newton.....	10,012	408	Esmeralda.....	9,309	804
California:			Lander.....	1,786	57
Eldorado.....	7,492	740	North Dakota:		
Mariposa.....	3,056	350	Billings.....	10,186	724
Mono.....	2,042	33	Oregon:		
Plumas.....	5,250	278	Curry.....	2,044	91
Colorado:			Grant.....	5,607	523
Cheyenne.....	3,037	357	Wheeler.....	2,484	208
Columbia.....	4,131	412	Pennsylvania:		
Grand.....	1,802	89	Pike.....	8,033	1,735
Jackson.....	1,013	53	South Dakota:		
Kearney.....	3,514	345	Custer.....	4,458	390
Lincoln.....	2,402	199	Texas:		
Summit.....	2,003	102	Glasscock.....	1,143	81
Idaho:			King.....	810	35
Boise.....	5,250	300	Virginia:		
Owyhee.....	4,044	277	Dickenson.....	9,199	567
Kansas:			Washington:		
Grant.....	1,087	43	Jefferson.....	8,337	747
Stanton.....	1,034	65	Mason.....	5,156	473
Kentucky:			San Juan.....	3,603	253
Knott.....	10,791	896	Skamania.....	2,887	239
Montana:			Wyoming:		
Madison.....	7,220	631	Crook.....	6,492	468
Nebraska:					
Banner.....	1,444	93			
Hayes.....	3,011	101			
Loup.....	2,188	92			

It is very probable that in most of these and other sparsely populated counties the low proportion of church members reported is largely real, and not apparent only, and is due to the people being so widely scattered and the facilities for intercourse so poor that it is impracticable for them to come together for church organization and worship. In some cases the small proportion may be due to people worshipping in and being reported as members of churches in one county, while they live in and constitute a part of the reported population of another county.

In striking contrast to the small proportion of church members in each of the counties included in the foregoing statement, the next statement shows a number of selected counties in each of which the number of church members as reported in 1916 actually exceeds the number of people as enumerated at the Federal census of 1910.

COUNTY.	Popula- tion: 1910.	Church mem- bers: 1916.	COUNTY.	Popula- tion: 1910.	Church mem- bers: 1916.
Arizona:			Texas:		
Pinal.....	9,045	9,694	Dimmit.....	3,460	4,004
Santa Cruz.....	6,766	7,402	Pecos.....	2,071	2,592
Yuma.....	7,733	7,769	Presidio.....	5,218	12,733
Idaho:			Zavalla.....	1,889	1,992
Cassia.....	7,197	7,601	Utah:		
New Mexico:			Garfield.....	3,660	4,242
Bernalillo.....	23,606	29,460	Iron.....	3,933	4,481
Grant.....	14,813	21,026	Kane.....	1,662	1,960
			Millard.....	6,116	6,549
			Washington.....	5,123	5,235
			Wayne.....	1,749	1,790

The excess of the reported 1916 church membership over the 1910 population in any one of these counties, and also the very high proportion of church members in any other county, probably is due to one or more of the following causes: First, on account of a very rapid increase, the population of 1910 may be far below the actual population in 1916; second, a considerable number of the persons reported as church members in the county may have lived in and been counted as a part of the population of an adjoining county; third, because of the scattered population in these counties, the returns show that frequently the church authorities estimated the number of church members and it is probable that occasionally the estimate was too high; fourth, to the predominance of a particular denomination, as in 9 of these 16 counties the Roman Catholic Church, and in the remaining 7 the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, was the leading denomination, and reported a very large proportion (in 3 counties all) of the total church membership. As stated elsewhere, it is the custom in each of these denominations to report as church members all baptized persons, irrespective of age, in any way identified with the church. It is believed that the very marked predominance in each of these counties of one or the other of these denominations, together with its custom of reporting as members practically its entire population, explains largely the exceptionally high proportion of church members as compared with the population of 1910. In most, if not in all, of the counties the population in 1916 probably was greater than that in 1910 as given in the statement. Especially does it seem probable that the apparent great excess shown in Bernalillo and Grant Counties, N. Mex., is due to a great increase of population between 1910 and 1916. In the case of Presidio County, Tex., which borders on Mexico, it is possible that many of the members reported actually lived in Mexico.

There may have been, also, a considerable increase in population in this county.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF DENOMINATIONS.

The Roman Catholic Church was distributed over a greater number of counties in 1916 than any other single denomination. Of the 3,033 counties in the United States in 1916, the Roman Catholic Church was represented in more than 2,400, or in approximately 80 per cent of all. The Methodist Episcopal Church was represented in every county of 17 states; the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in every county of 8 states; and one or the other of these two denominations in every county of 27 states. One or the other of these two very similar Methodist denominations was represented in over 2,900 counties, or in approximately 97 out of every 100 counties in the United States. Together they were represented in a larger proportion of the counties than was the Roman Catholic Church. The same is true of the two leading white Baptist bodies—the Northern Baptist Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention. The Northern Baptist Convention was represented in every county of 8 states; the Southern Baptist Convention in every county of 7 states; and one or the other of these two closely related denominations was represented in approximately 2,700 counties, or in more than 89 per cent of all counties in the United States. Other denominations which were represented in every county of several states were the Congregational Churches, which were represented in every county of the 6 New England states; the Protestant Episcopal Church, in every county of 4 New England states (New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island), Delaware, Maryland, and New Jersey; and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, in every county of 3 states (New York, New Jersey, and Delaware).

#### SUMMARY OF STATISTICS FOR THE PRINCIPAL CITIES.

The statistics of religious bodies for 1916 are presented in detail for principal cities—those having in 1910 a population of 25,000 or more—in Tables 64, 65, and 66. Table 64 (p. 330) gives, for each city, a summary of the statistics for all denominations combined; Table 65 (p. 336) gives the number of members in selected denominations; and Table 66 (p. 354) presents statistics, in detail, for the principal denominations reported in each city.

In the tables these cities, 226 in number, are divided into four classes according to population, as follows: 18 cities of the first class, those having 300,000 inhabitants or more; 32 cities of the second class, those

having from 100,000 to 300,000 inhabitants; 59 cities of the third class, those having from 50,000 to 100,000 inhabitants; and 117 cities of the fourth class, those having from 25,000 to 50,000 inhabitants.

It should be noted that the figures given for 1906 in the tables for the principal cities do not include the statistics of the Roman Catholic Church in Auburn, Elmira, and Rochester, N. Y., since the statistics for the diocese of Rochester were not furnished separately for these cities. Likewise, only a part of the statistics of the Roman Catholic Church for Cleveland, Canton, Toledo, and Youngstown, Ohio, and none of the statistics for Jackson, Mich., are included on account

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of a similar failure to report statistics of the respective dioceses separately for cities. These facts affect somewhat not only the 1906 figures reported separately for Rochester, Cleveland, and Toledo, but also the general totals for cities, and the totals for the various classes of cities to which those in question belong.

## GENERAL SUMMARY FOR 1916 AND 1906.

The following table presents, for the different classes of cities, a summary of the statistics for 1916, and the number of organizations reporting under each item, with comparative figures for 1906:

TABLE 39.—STATISTICS OF RELIGIOUS BODIES FOR ALL DENOMINATIONS, BY CLASSES OF CITIES: 1916 AND 1906.

CENSUS YEAR AND CLASS OF CITY.	Total number of organizations.	MEMBERS.					PLACES OF WORSHIP.			VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY.	
		Number of organizations reporting.	Total number reported.	Sex.			Number of organizations reporting—		Number of church edifices reported.	Number of organizations reporting.	Value reported.
				Number of organizations reporting.	Male.	Female.	Church edifices.	Halls, etc.			
1916.											
United States.....	227,487	226,718	41,926,854	197,403	15,553,958	19,990,204	199,634	14,028	203,452	197,807	\$1,676,600,582
Principal cities in 1910.....	23,713	23,402	15,291,245	20,681	5,609,358	6,814,234	20,421	2,385	21,237	20,317	\$21,216,547
Cities of 300,000 and over.....	9,387	9,140	7,636,860	7,904	2,773,935	3,233,691	7,674	1,337	8,022	7,639	\$55,163,720
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.....	4,906	4,874	2,751,017	4,297	1,041,684	1,235,493	4,332	375	4,463	4,298	\$12,124,314
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.....	4,416	4,397	2,495,401	3,936	931,013	1,130,701	3,936	332	4,051	3,912	\$17,754,240
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.....	5,004	4,991	2,357,967	4,544	922,726	1,159,349	4,479	341	4,666	4,468	\$19,170,273
Outside of principal cities.....	203,774	203,316	26,635,609	176,722	9,984,600	13,175,970	179,213	11,643	182,195	177,490	\$52,384,635
1906.											
United States.....	212,230	210,418	35,068,058	193,229	13,682,452	17,789,242	185,040	14,791	192,795	186,132	\$1,257,575,867
Principal cities in 1900.....	17,906	17,290	11,478,706	14,965	4,552,795	5,540,099	14,875	1,912	16,517	15,093	\$12,833,315
Cities of 300,000 and over.....	6,455	6,017	5,503,800	4,942	2,212,499	2,530,323	5,113	705	5,770	5,174	\$39,490,592
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.....	4,127	4,067	2,556,182	3,567	1,062,754	1,220,841	3,536	423	3,903	3,541	\$10,357,931
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.....	3,264	3,218	1,637,073	2,907	1,700,519	1,866,712	2,807	333	3,075	2,863	\$2,271,671
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.....	4,080	3,983	1,731,651	3,549	1,677,023	1,872,223	3,419	451	3,769	3,510	\$9,773,121
Outside of principal cities.....	194,324	193,128	23,559,352	178,264	9,129,657	12,249,143	170,165	12,879	176,278	171,039	\$44,742,352

CENSUS YEAR AND CLASS OF CITY.	Total number of organizations.	DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.		PARSONAGES.		EXPENDITURES.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS CONDUCTED BY CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.			
		Number of organizations reporting.	Amount of debt reported.	Number of organizations reporting.	Value of parsonages reported.	Number of organizations reporting.	Amount reported.	Number of organizations reporting.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.
1916.											
United States.....	227,487	42,990	\$164,864,899	65,272	\$218,846,096	203,859	\$328,809,999	186,183	194,759	1,952,631	19,935,890
Principal cities in 1910.....	23,713	10,820	104,939,733	9,141	70,705,345	22,057	134,054,781	20,376	22,251	404,117	5,114,609
Cities of 300,000 and over.....	9,387	4,338	59,871,055	3,371	33,561,881	8,604	65,453,544	7,441	8,186	157,998	2,107,119
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.....	4,906	2,272	17,203,445	1,750	11,536,549	4,574	24,095,290	4,415	4,820	83,985	1,015,243
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.....	4,416	2,062	14,875,414	1,826	12,107,555	4,152	21,856,544	3,959	4,293	78,781	976,361
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.....	5,004	2,148	12,989,789	2,194	13,499,330	4,727	22,644,403	4,561	4,952	83,403	1,016,946
Outside of principal cities.....	203,774	32,170	59,925,166	56,131	148,140,751	181,802	194,755,218	165,807	172,508	1,548,514	14,821,221
1906.											
United States.....	212,230	33,617	108,050,946	54,214	143,495,853	.....	.....	167,574	178,214	1,648,664	14,685,997
Principal cities in 1900.....	17,906	7,509	70,262,228	6,193	43,098,769	.....	.....	15,269	17,563	309,618	3,603,872
Cities of 300,000 and over.....	6,455	2,778	40,063,622	2,131	20,497,480	.....	.....	5,149	6,053	120,368	1,511,809
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.....	4,127	1,769	14,052,537	1,326	8,000,528	.....	.....	3,624	4,149	70,873	802,078
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.....	3,264	1,335	8,076,972	1,120	6,583,350	.....	.....	2,892	3,316	56,937	610,933
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.....	4,080	1,627	8,069,097	1,616	8,017,411	.....	.....	3,604	4,045	61,440	679,032
Outside of principal cities.....	194,324	26,108	37,788,718	48,021	100,397,034	.....	.....	152,305	160,646	1,339,046	11,082,125

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

The preceding table shows that out of 227,487 church organizations in the United States in 1916, there were 23,713 in the principal cities of the country and 203,774 outside of such cities. As stated on page 22, "although the figures are derived from schedules returned by each separate church organization, a complete return for every item on the schedule was not made for all organizations reported in the first column. This was due in some cases to direct failure to answer the question, but in most cases it was due to the fact that the question was not applicable to that particular organization." The following percentages, drawn from the above table, show the proportion of organizations reporting the various items in the principal cities, in each class of cities, and outside of the principal cities, as well as for the United States as a whole.

CENSUS YEAR AND CLASS OF CITY.	PER CENT OF TOTAL ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING—						
	Members.	Church edifices.	Value of church property.	Debt on church property.	Value of parsonages.	Amount of expenditures.	Sunday schools.
<b>1916.</b>							
United States.....	99.7	87.8	87.0	18.9	28.7	89.6	81.8
Principal cities in 1910.....	98.7	86.1	85.7	45.6	38.5	93.0	85.9
Cities of 300,000 and over...	97.4	81.8	81.4	46.2	35.9	91.7	79.3
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000...	99.3	88.3	87.6	46.3	35.7	93.2	90.0
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000...	99.6	89.1	88.6	46.7	41.3	94.0	89.7
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000...	99.7	89.5	89.3	42.9	43.8	94.5	91.1
Outside of principal cities.....	99.8	87.9	87.1	15.8	27.5	89.2	81.4
<b>1906.</b>							
United States.....	99.1	87.2	87.7	15.8	25.5	.....	79.0
Principal cities in 1900.....	98.6	83.1	84.3	41.9	34.6	.....	85.3
Cities of 300,000 and over...	93.2	79.2	80.2	43.0	33.0	.....	79.8
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000...	98.5	85.7	85.8	42.9	32.1	.....	87.8
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000...	98.6	86.0	87.9	40.9	34.3	.....	88.6
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000...	98.2	84.2	86.5	40.1	39.8	.....	83.8
Outside of principal cities.....	99.4	87.6	88.0	13.4	24.7	.....	78.4

The above percentages show that of the two items for which there should have been a full report—members and expenditures—the return for the former was not so good in cities as outside, but the return for the latter was much better. This would indicate that the membership rolls are not so carefully kept in cities as in the smaller areas, but that the system of keeping the financial statements is better. Of the other items, which are not applicable to all organizations, the summary shows considerable variation in the returns in cities as compared with the area outside. For instance, a smaller percentage reported church edifices, indicating that rented halls, etc., are more used in cities than outside, and, similarly, the percentage reporting value of church property was less; but of the other items the proportion in cities exceeded very largely the proportion shown for organizations outside of cities. Only 15.8 per cent of the organizations outside of cities reported debt on church property, while 45.6 per cent showed such debt in cities. Value of

parsonages was reported by 38.5 per cent in cities as against 27.5 per cent outside, and 85.9 per cent reported Sunday schools in the former as against 81.4 per cent in the latter.

As compared with 1906, a higher percentage of organizations made report concerning each item in 1916 in the principal cities and also, with one exception, in the areas outside of such cities.

*Average per organization.*—The following statement, derived from Table 39, shows for the United States, for each principal class of cities, and for the area outside of the principal cities, the average per organization reporting for six of the principal items of inquiry in 1916:

CLASS OF CITY.	AVERAGE PER ORGANIZATION REPORTING IN 1916—					
	Number of members.	Value of church property.	Debt on church property.	Value of parsonages.	Expenditures.	Number of Sunday school scholars.
United States.....	185	\$8,476	\$3,835	\$3,353	\$1,613	107
Principal cities in 1910.....	653	40,568	9,699	7,735	6,078	251
Cities of 300,000 and over...	841	59,584	13,802	9,956	7,608	283
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000...	564	30,742	7,572	6,592	5,268	230
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000...	568	30,101	7,214	6,631	5,264	247
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000...	472	26,672	6,047	6,153	4,790	223
Outside of principal cities.....	131	4,802	1,863	2,639	1,071	89

The above statement shows that, while the average number of members per organization reporting was 185 for the entire United States, it was 653 for the principal cities and only 131 for the area outside of the principal cities. The average varied greatly in the different classes of cities, being 841 in cities of the first class, 564 in cities of the second class, 568 in cities of the third class, and 472 in cities of the fourth class. Similarly, the average value of church property per organization reporting was several times as large in the principal cities as in the areas outside of these cities; and in the principal cities the average value varied with the size of the cities. Likewise in the case of each other item presented in the statement, the average per organization reporting was far higher for the principal cities than for the areas outside of these cities, and in the principal cities the average usually varied with the size of the cities.

#### DISTRIBUTION BY CLASSES OF CITIES.

In the following table, the total for each principal item of inquiry in 1916, 1906, and 1890, respectively, is distributed by number and per cent among the different classes of cities and the area outside of the principal cities. It will be noted that the number of items of inquiry was larger in 1916 than in 1906, and larger in 1906 than in 1890.

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TABLE 42.—DISTRIBUTION OF THE PRINCIPAL RELIGIOUS STATISTICS, BY CLASSES OF CITIES: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

CENSUS YEAR AND ITEM.	Total for United States, number or amount.	PRINCIPAL CITIES.										OUTSIDE OF PRINCIPAL CITIES.	
		Total.		Cities of 300,000 and over.		Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.		Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.		Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.			
		Number or amount.	Per cent.	Number or amount.	Per cent.	Number or amount.	Per cent.	Number or amount.	Per cent.	Number or amount.	Per cent.	Number or amount.	Per cent.
1916.													
Number of cities in 1910.....	226	226		18		32		59		117			
Population, 1916 (estimated)....	102,017,312	33,334,907	32.7	17,535,610	17.2	6,098,884	6.0	5,013,690	4.9	4,686,743	4.6	68,682,405	67.3
Organizations.....	227,487	23,713	10.4	9,387	4.1	4,906	2.2	4,416	1.9	5,004	2.2	203,774	89.6
Members.....	41,926,854	15,201,245	36.5	7,686,860	18.3	2,751,017	6.6	2,495,401	6.0	2,357,987	5.6	26,635,609	63.5
Church edifices.....	203,432	21,237	10.4	8,022	3.9	4,468	2.2	4,081	2.0	4,666	2.3	182,195	89.6
Value of church property.....	\$1,676,800,582	\$324,216,547	49.2	\$455,163,720	27.1	\$132,128,314	7.9	\$117,754,240	7.0	\$119,170,273	7.1	\$852,384,035	50.8
Debt on church property.....	\$164,864,899	\$104,939,733	63.7	\$59,871,085	30.3	\$17,203,445	10.4	\$14,875,414	9.0	\$12,989,789	7.9	\$59,925,166	36.3
Value of parsonages.....	\$218,846,096	\$70,705,345	32.3	\$33,561,881	15.3	\$11,536,549	5.3	\$12,107,585	5.5	\$13,499,330	6.2	\$148,140,761	67.7
Expenditures.....	\$328,809,999	\$134,054,781	40.8	\$65,458,544	19.9	\$24,095,290	7.3	\$21,856,544	6.6	\$22,644,403	6.9	\$194,755,218	59.2
Sunday schools.....	194,759	22,251	11.4	8,186	4.2	4,820	2.5	4,293	2.2	4,952	2.5	172,508	88.6
Sunday school scholars.....	19,935,890	5,114,669	25.7	2,107,119	10.6	1,015,243	5.1	976,361	4.9	1,015,946	5.1	14,821,221	74.3
1906.													
Number of cities in 1900.....	160	160		11		27		40		82			
Population, 1906 (estimated)....	85,837,372	23,632,153	27.5	11,519,172	13.4	5,319,883	6.2	3,322,515	3.9	3,470,583	4.0	62,205,219	72.5
Organizations.....	212,230	17,909	8.4	6,455	3.0	4,127	1.9	3,264	1.5	4,060	1.9	194,324	91.6
Members.....	35,068,058	11,478,706	32.7	5,506,800	15.7	2,556,182	7.3	1,087,073	4.8	1,731,651	4.9	23,589,352	67.3
Church edifices.....	192,785	16,517	8.6	5,770	3.0	3,903	2.0	3,075	1.6	3,769	2.0	176,278	91.4
Value of church property.....	\$1,257,575,807	\$612,833,315	48.7	\$340,430,592	27.1	\$110,357,931	8.8	\$82,271,671	6.5	\$79,773,121	6.3	\$644,742,552	51.3
Debt on church property.....	\$108,050,946	\$70,262,228	65.0	\$40,066,622	37.1	\$14,052,537	13.0	\$8,076,972	7.5	\$8,069,097	7.5	\$37,788,718	35.0
Value of parsonages.....	\$143,495,853	\$43,098,769	30.0	\$20,497,480	14.3	\$8,000,528	5.6	\$6,583,350	4.6	\$8,017,411	5.6	\$100,397,084	70.0
Sunday schools.....	173,214	17,568	9.9	6,058	3.4	4,149	2.3	3,316	1.9	4,045	2.3	186,046	90.1
Sunday school scholars.....	14,685,997	3,603,872	24.5	1,511,809	10.3	802,078	5.5	610,933	4.2	679,052	4.6	11,082,125	75.5
1890.													
Number of cities.....	124	124		7		21		30		66			
Population.....	62,947,714	13,989,568	22.2	5,803,144	9.2	3,894,816	6.2	2,022,822	3.2	2,268,780	3.6	48,958,146	77.8
Organizations.....	165,151	10,241	6.2	3,117	1.9	2,840	1.7	1,859	1.1	2,425	1.5	154,910	93.8
Members.....	21,699,432	5,832,696	26.9	2,379,183	11.0	1,634,068	7.5	1,856,321	8.9	1,963,121	4.4	15,866,736	73.1
Church edifices.....	142,487	9,722	6.8	2,950	2.1	2,693	1.9	1,805	1.3	2,274	1.6	132,765	93.2
Value of church property.....	\$879,426,489	\$313,537,247	46.1	\$146,916,242	21.6	\$79,422,746	11.7	\$42,693,776	6.3	\$44,504,483	6.6	\$365,889,242	53.9

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

In 1916 the estimated population of the 226 principal cities was 33,334,907, or 32.7 per cent of the total estimated population of the United States; there were reported in these cities 23,713 organizations, or 10.4 per cent of the total number, and 15,291,245 members, or 36.5 per cent of the total number. Thus, in the principal cities, in 1916, there was 1 organization reported to every 1,406 of the estimated population, while for the country outside of such cities the proportion was 1 to every 337 of the population. The principal cities, in 1916, had the same proportion of the total number of church edifices as of organizations—10.4 per cent. However, with but 10.4 per cent of the church organizations and edifices, respectively, the principal cities reported 49.2 per cent of the total value of church property and 63.7 per cent of the total debt on church property. Of the total value of parsonages, 32.3 per cent was reported by the principal cities and 67.7 per cent by areas outside of the principal cities; and of the total expenditures, 40.8 per cent were reported by the principal cities and 59.2 per cent by areas outside of the principal cities. The proportion of the total number of Sunday schools reported by the principal cities—11.4 per cent—was slightly larger than the proportion of the total organizations reported by them—10.4 per cent—but the proportion of the total Sunday school scholars reported by the principal cities—25.7 per cent—was considerably below the proportion of the total number of church members reported by them—36.5 per cent. As compared with the proportion of the total membership reported by

the principal cities in 1916, they reported a low proportion of the total organizations, church edifices, value of parsonages, Sunday schools, and Sunday school scholars, and a rather high proportion of the total value of church property, debt on church property, and expenditures.

Each class of cities, in 1916, reported a larger proportion of the total church membership than of the total population, and a larger proportion of the total church membership than of the total organizations, church edifices, Sunday schools, or Sunday school scholars. On the other hand, each class of cities reported a smaller proportion of the total church membership than of the total value of church property, the total debt on church property, or the total expenditures. Of the total membership reported by the principal cities in 1916, slightly over one-half was in cities of 300,000 inhabitants and over, somewhat over one-sixth in cities of 100,000 to 300,000, slightly under one-sixth in cities of 50,000 to 100,000 and slightly under one-sixth in cities of 25,000 to 50,000. The number of Sunday school scholars, as related to the number of church members, was much smaller in cities of 300,000 inhabitants and over than in any of the other three classes of cities.

As compared with 1906, the principal cities in 1916 show an increase in the proportion they report of the total for the United States in the case of each item of inquiry covered at the two censuses, except the amount of debt on church property, of which the principal cities reported 63.7 per cent in 1916 as against 65 per cent in 1906. However, the changes from 1906 to

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1916 have varied for the different classes of cities. The cities of 300,000 inhabitants and over show an increase from 1906 to 1916 in the proportion of the total they report for the different items, except that they report the same proportion of the value of church property at each date and a slightly smaller proportion of the total debt on church property in 1916 than in 1906. The cities of 100,000 to 300,000 inhabitants report a smaller proportion of the total population, of the total membership, of the total value of church property, of the total debt on church property, of the total value of parsonages, and of the total number of Sunday school scholars, in 1916 than in 1906. The cities of 50,000 to 100,000, however, and also the

cities of 25,000 to 50,000, report in 1916 a larger proportion of the total in the case of each item than was reported by similar groups of cities in 1906.

A comparison of the items that were covered in 1890, as well as in the other two censuses, shows that the changes in the proportions, noted above, were similar at the former period, namely, a decrease shown by the group of cities from 100,000 to 300,000 in the proportions of members and value of church property, with a general increase for the other classes of cities and for all cities combined.

*Distribution of members by sex.*—The following table shows, for the different classes of cities, the distribution of members by sex, in 1916 and in 1906:

TABLE 43.—MEMBERS REPORTED BY SEX, FOR ALL DENOMINATIONS, BY CLASSES OF CITIES: 1916 AND 1906.

CENSUS YEAR AND CLASS OF CITY.	Total number of members reported.	MEMBERS REPORTED BY SEX.					
		Total.		Male.		Female.	
		Number.	Per cent of all members.	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
1916.							
United States.....	41,926,854	35,644,162	85.0	15,553,958	43.9	19,990,204	56.1
Principal cities in 1910.....	15,201,245	12,483,592	81.6	5,609,358	45.4	6,814,234	54.6
Cities of 300,000 and over.....	7,696,860	6,012,626	78.2	2,773,935	46.1	3,238,691	53.9
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.....	2,751,017	2,327,177	84.6	1,041,684	44.8	1,285,493	55.2
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.....	2,495,401	2,061,714	82.6	931,013	45.2	1,130,701	54.8
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.....	2,357,967	2,082,075	88.3	922,726	44.3	1,159,349	55.7
Outside of principal cities.....	26,635,609	23,160,570	87.0	9,984,600	43.1	13,175,970	56.9
1906.							
United States.....	35,068,058	31,471,694	89.7	13,682,452	43.5	17,789,242	56.5
Principal cities in 1900.....	11,478,706	10,092,894	87.9	4,552,795	45.1	5,540,099	54.9
Cities of 300,000 and over.....	5,503,800	4,792,822	87.1	2,212,490	46.2	2,580,332	53.8
Cities of 100,000 to 300,000.....	2,556,182	2,183,595	85.4	962,754	44.1	1,220,841	55.9
Cities of 50,000 to 100,000.....	1,687,073	1,567,231	92.9	700,619	44.7	866,712	55.3
Cities of 25,000 to 50,000.....	1,731,651	1,549,240	89.5	677,023	43.7	872,217	56.3
Outside of principal cities.....	23,564,352	21,378,800	90.6	9,129,657	42.7	12,249,143	57.3

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

The table shows that, of the 41,926,854 church members reported in 1916 in the United States, 35,644,162, or 85 per cent, were reported by sex. Of the church members living in cities of 25,000 or more in 1916, only 81.6 per cent were reported by sex as against 87 per cent of the members living outside of such cities. The best return by sex was made by church organizations in cities of 25,000 to 50,000, of which 88.3 per cent of the members were reported by sex, and the lowest by church organizations in cities of 300,000 or more, of which only 78.2 per cent of the members were so reported. The table shows that the return by sex was much better in 1906 than in 1916.

Of the 35,644,162 church members reported by sex, 43.9 per cent were male and 56.1 per cent were female, these proportions being practically the same as in 1906. The highest percentage of males was shown in the group of cities of 300,000 and over, but as stated above, this was the group showing the lowest proportion for which sex was reported. However, the highest percentage of males was also shown by this class of cities in 1906 when the proportion report-

ing sex was much higher than in 1916. Although this class of cities showed the highest proportion of males at each census, it is the only class which did not show a slight increase in the proportion in 1916 over 1906. At each census the proportion of males among church members was higher in all the cities combined than in the area outside of cities.

#### DISTRIBUTION OF MEMBERS BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS.

The following table presents for 1916, first, a number and per cent distribution of the total membership of each principal denomination among the specified classes of cities and the area outside; and, second, a per cent distribution of the membership of each class of community by principal denominations. The denominations represented are those for which 100,000 or more members were reported in 1916. Diagram 4, on page 122, also shows the proportions, in these denominations, of membership reported for the principal cities as compared with the membership outside of cities.



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TABLE 44.—MEMBERS DISTRIBUTED ACCORDING TO CLASSES OF CITIES, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 100,000 members or more in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS: 1916.										PER CENT DISTRIBUTION OF MEMBERS: 1916.						
	United States.	In cities of 300,000 and over.		In cities of 100,000 to 300,000.		In cities of 50,000 to 100,000.		In cities of 25,000 to 50,000.		Outside of principal cities.		United States.	In cities of 300,000 and over.	In cities of 100,000 to 300,000.	In cities of 50,000 to 100,000.	In cities of 25,000 to 50,000.	Outside of principal cities.
		Num-ber.	Per cent of total.	Num-ber.	Per cent of total.	Num-ber.	Per cent of total.	Num-ber.	Per cent of total.	Num-ber.	Per cent of total.						
All denominations.....	41,926,854	7,686,860	18.3	2,751,017	6.6	2,495,401	6.0	2,357,967	5.6	26,635,609	63.5	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Baptist bodies:																	
Baptists—																	
Northern Baptist Convention.....	1,232,135	202,085	16.4	92,463	7.5	76,470	6.2	88,023	7.1	773,094	62.7	2.9	2.6	3.4	3.1	3.7	2.9
Southern Baptist Convention.....	2,708,870	20,657	0.8	72,459	2.7	46,031	1.7	68,075	2.5	2,501,048	92.4	6.5	0.3	2.0	1.8	2.9	0.9
National Baptist Convention.....	2,938,579	134,773	4.6	130,350	4.4	90,040	3.1	104,824	3.6	2,477,992	84.3	7.0	1.8	4.7	3.6	4.4	9.3
Brethren, German Baptist (Dunkers):																	
Church of the Brethren (Conservative).....	105,102	2,664	2.5	981	0.9	3,445	3.3	3,046	2.9	94,966	90.4	0.3	(1)	(1)	0.1	0.1	0.4
Christian Church (Christian Convention).....	118,737	142	0.1	1,792	1.5	2,355	2.0	1,565	1.3	112,833	95.1	0.3	(1)	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.4
Churches of Christ.....	817,937	1,798	0.6	6,400	2.0	3,941	1.2	2,282	0.7	303,519	95.5	0.8	(1)	0.2	0.2	0.1	1.1
Congregational Churches.....	791,274	95,942	12.1	71,787	9.1	51,225	6.5	63,698	8.1	508,622	64.3	1.9	1.2	2.6	2.1	2.7	1.9
Disciples of Christ.....	1,229,028	42,394	3.5	55,284	4.5	57,658	4.7	62,042	4.2	1,018,650	83.1	2.9	0.6	2.0	2.3	2.2	3.8
Eastern Orthodox Churches:																	
Greek Church (Hellenic).....	119,871	54,055	45.1	26,767	22.3	15,585	13.0	4,540	3.8	18,924	15.8	0.3	0.7	1.0	0.6	0.2	0.1
Evangelical Association.....	120,756	11,309	9.4	5,720	4.7	7,329	6.1	5,652	4.7	90,740	75.1	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.3
German Evangelical Synod.....	339,853	85,705	25.5	22,039	6.5	13,601	4.0	17,634	5.2	199,873	58.8	0.8	1.1	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.8
Jewish congregations.....	357,135	209,523	58.7	50,024	14.0	37,084	10.4	27,277	7.6	33,227	9.3	0.9	2.7	1.8	1.5	1.2	0.1
Latter Day Saints:																	
Church of Jesus Christ.....	403,388	4,022	1.0	4,463	1.1	50,392	12.5	16,365	4.1	328,146	81.3	1.0	0.1	0.2	2.0	0.7	1.2
Lutheran bodies:																	
General Synod.....	370,715	50,293	13.6	18,867	5.1	27,615	7.4	25,882	7.0	248,058	66.9	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.0	1.1	0.9
General Council.....	540,642	97,282	18.0	35,184	6.5	45,474	8.4	43,037	8.1	319,065	59.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.8	1.9	1.2
Synodical Conference.....	777,701	158,054	20.3	22,832	2.9	26,503	3.4	41,326	5.3	528,936	68.0	1.9	2.1	0.8	1.1	1.8	2.0
Norwegian Lutheran Church—																	
Synod for Norwegian Church.....	112,673	7,395	6.6	2,636	2.3	745	0.7	1,621	1.4	100,276	89.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	(1)	0.1	0.4
United Norwegian Church.....	176,084	6,124	3.5	1,371	0.8	1,710	1.0	3,591	2.0	163,288	92.7	0.4	0.1	(1)	0.1	0.2	0.6
Joint Synod of Ohio.....	164,908	16,835	10.2	12,052	7.3	7,014	4.0	4,099	2.8	123,769	75.0	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.5
Synod of Iowa.....	130,793	3,413	2.6	4,334	3.3	3,186	2.4	6,246	4.8	113,614	86.9	0.3	(1)	0.2	0.1	0.3	0.4
Methodist bodies:																	
Methodist Episcopal.....	3,717,785	322,192	8.7	163,744	4.4	162,939	4.4	189,993	5.1	2,878,867	77.4	8.9	4.2	6.0	6.5	8.1	10.8
Methodist Protestant.....	186,908	12,224	6.5	2,422	1.3	1,279	0.7	2,543	1.4	168,440	90.1	0.4	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.6
Methodist Episcopal, South.....	2,114,479	20,006	0.9	75,599	3.6	48,354	2.3	70,683	3.3	1,899,837	89.8	5.0	0.3	2.7	1.9	3.0	7.1
African Methodist Episcopal.....	548,355	40,134	7.3	28,410	5.2	29,276	5.3	27,574	5.1	422,661	77.1	1.3	0.5	1.0	1.2	1.2	1.6
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	257,169	26,158	10.2	9,061	3.9	7,929	3.1	14,791	5.8	198,380	77.1	0.6	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.7
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	245,749	4,110	1.7	8,980	3.7	4,824	2.0	7,532	3.1	220,303	89.6	0.6	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.8
Presbyterian bodies:																	
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,611,251	288,100	17.9	103,606	6.4	91,920	5.7	111,814	6.9	1,015,811	63.0	3.8	3.7	3.8	3.7	4.7	3.8
United Presbyterian.....	160,726	29,647	18.4	7,868	4.9	6,092	3.8	7,873	4.9	109,249	68.0	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	357,769	7,010	2.0	29,425	8.2	19,622	5.5	26,128	7.3	275,584	77.0	0.9	0.1	1.1	0.8	1.1	1.0
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,092,821	316,568	29.0	109,398	10.0	91,177	8.3	90,820	8.3	484,858	44.4	2.6	4.1	4.0	3.7	3.9	1.8
Reformed bodies:																	
Reformed Church in America.....	144,929	35,509	24.5	15,476	10.7	6,529	4.5	6,719	4.0	80,690	55.7	0.3	0.5	0.6	0.3	0.3	0.3
Reformed Church in the United States.....	344,374	31,779	9.2	11,563	3.4	33,363	9.7	18,369	5.3	249,300	72.4	0.8	0.4	0.4	1.3	0.8	0.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	15,721,815	5,081,930	32.3	1,414,549	9.0	1,304,999	8.3	1,087,324	6.9	6,833,013	43.5	37.5	66.1	51.4	52.3	48.1	25.7
United Brethren bodies:																	
United Brethren in Christ.....	348,828	6,721	1.9	11,347	3.3	15,487	4.4	11,114	3.2	304,159	87.2	0.8	0.1	0.4	0.6	0.5	1.1
All other denominations.....	2,020,655	259,308	12.8	120,814	6.0	102,958	5.1	102,365	5.1	1,435,212	71.0	4.8	3.4	4.4	4.1	4.3	5.4

1 Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

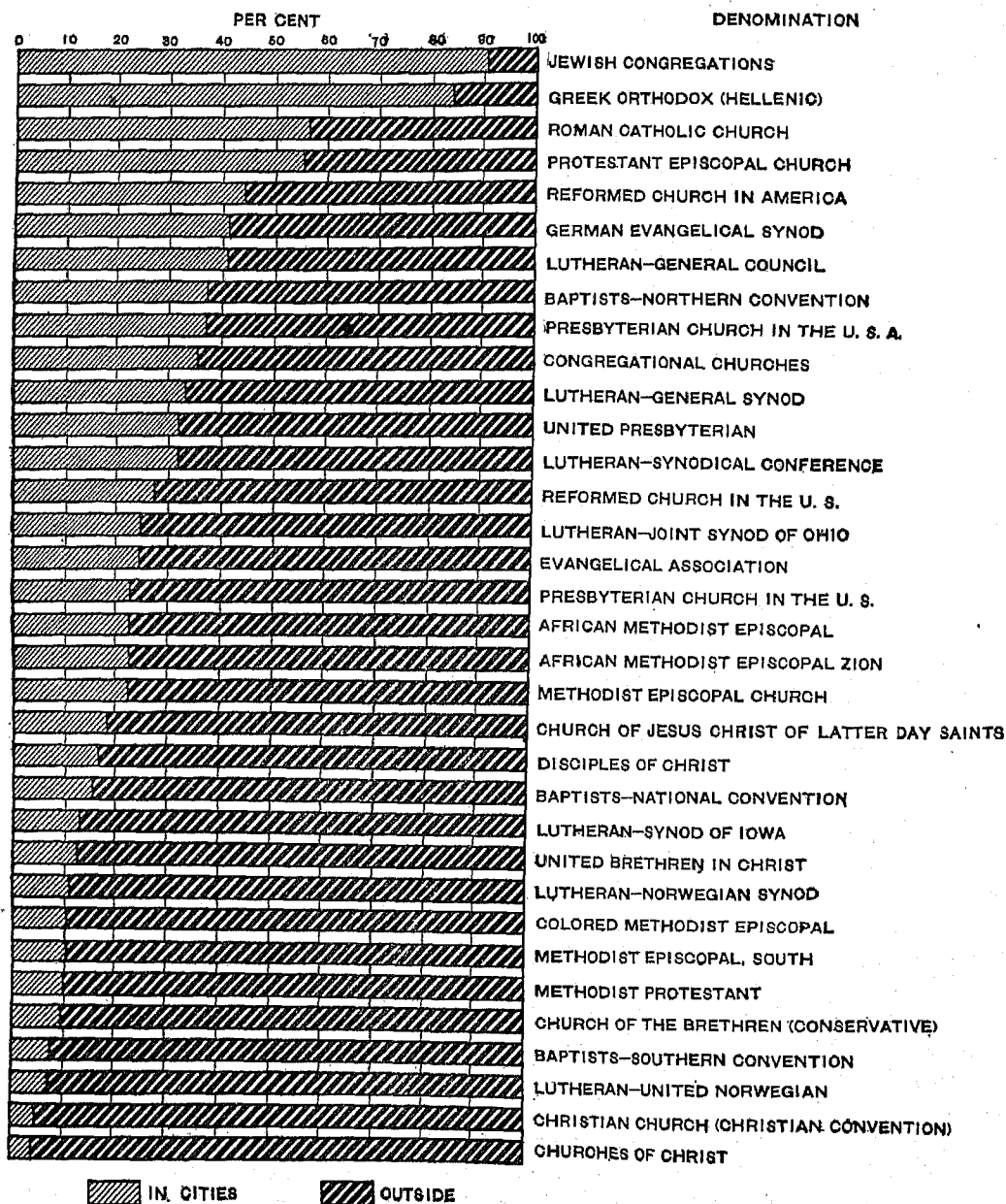
The table shows that of the total members reported in 1916 for all denominations in the United States, 7,686,860, or 18.3 per cent, were in cities of 300,000 inhabitants and over; 2,751,017, or 6.6 per cent, in cities of 100,000 to 300,000 inhabitants; 2,495,401, or 6 per cent, in cities of 50,000 to 100,000 inhabitants; 2,357,967, or 5.6 per cent, in cities of 25,000 to 50,000 inhabitants; and 26,635,609, or 63.5 per cent, in areas outside of the principal cities. Thus, in the entire United States in 1916, somewhat over one-third (36.5 per cent) of church members were in the principal cities and somewhat less than two-thirds (63.5 per cent) in areas outside of the principal cities. In comparison, of the total estimated population in 1916, slightly less than one-third (32.7 per cent) was in the principal cities and slightly more than two-thirds (67.3 per cent) was in areas outside of the principal cities.

The respective denominations show very marked variations in the distribution of their membership among the different areas. Most of the denominations reported a rather large majority of their members in areas outside of the principal cities, the proportion so

reported being over 75 per cent for 19 of the 34 denominations presented in the table. Six denominations reported over 90 per cent of their members in areas outside of the principal cities: Churches of Christ, 95.5 per cent; Christian Church (Christian Convention), 95.1 per cent; United Norwegian Lutheran Church, 92.7 per cent; Southern Baptist Convention, 92.4 per cent; Church of the Brethren (Conservative), 90.4 per cent; and Methodist Protestant Church, 90.1 per cent. On the other hand, 4 different denominations reported a majority of their members as being in the principal cities: Jewish congregations, 90.7 per cent; Greek Church (Hellenic), 84.2 per cent; Roman Catholic Church, 56.5 per cent; and the Protestant Episcopal Church, 55.6 per cent. These 4 denominations also reported a high proportion of their membership in cities of 300,000 inhabitants or more. Other denominations which reported a high percentage of their membership in cities of this class are: German Evangelical Synod of North America, Reformed Church in America, Lutheran Synodical Conference, and United Presbyterian Church.

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

DIAGRAM 4.—PER CENT OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN PRINCIPAL CITIES AND OUTSIDE, FOR DENOMINATIONS REPORTING 100,000 OR MORE: 1916.



That portion of the table giving a per cent distribution of the membership of each group shows that the Roman Catholic Church constituted two-thirds of the membership in cities of 300,000 and over, more than one-half in each of the groups of 100,000 to 300,000 and 50,000 to 100,000, nearly one-half (46.1 per cent) of that in cities of 25,000 to 50,000, and approximately one-fourth of the membership outside of cities. In each group of cities the Methodist Episcopal Church is second in the proportion of membership represented, the only other denominations reporting more than 3 per cent in any group being the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and the Baptists (Northern and

National Conventions). In the area outside of principal cities the Methodist Episcopal Church is again second, with 10.8 per cent; followed by the Southern Baptist Convention, with 9.4 per cent; and the National Baptist Convention, with 9.3 per cent.

*Distribution by individual cities.*—Table 45 shows, for 1916 and 1906, the number and per cent distribution, by principal denominations, of the total church membership reported in each of the 50 cities having a population of 100,000 or more in 1910. The table includes those denominations which represented 1 per cent or more of the total membership of the city in 1916 and combined covered about 90 per cent of the total membership reported.

TABLE 45.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH CITY HAVING, IN 1910, 100,000 INHABITANTS OR MORE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.				CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.			
	1916		1906			1916		1906	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
ALBANY, N. Y.					BIRMINGHAM, ALA.—continued.				
All denominations.....	61,261	100.0	1 66,414	100.0	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,224	2.9	1,310	4.8
Roman Catholic Church.....	39,769	64.9	1 45,345	68.3	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,866	2.4	651	2.4
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,831	6.3	3,983	6.0	Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,501	1.9	498	1.8
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,625	5.8	3,563	5.4	Jewish congregations.....	1,300	1.7	375	1.4
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	2,472	4.0	2,804	4.2	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	900	1.2	302	1.1
Lutheran—General Council.....	2,438	4.0	2,268	3.4	All other denominations.....	4,216	5.5	2,330	8.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,305	3.8	1,959	2.9	BOSTON, MASS.				
Reformed Church in America.....	2,232	3.6	1,907	2.9	All denominations.....	401,498	100.0	1 422,423	100.0
Jewish congregations.....	1,250	2.0	4 484	0.7	Roman Catholic Church.....	294,914	73.5	1 304,631	72.1
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	928	1.5	1,127	1.7	Jewish congregations.....	17,975	4.5	1 1,735	0.4
Lutheran—General Synod.....	588	1.0	1,373	0.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	17,790	4.4	13,352	3.2
All other denominations.....	1,923	3.1	2,601	3.9	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	15,959	4.0	13,790	3.3
ATLANTA, GA.					Congregational Churches.....	15,458	3.9	12,127	2.9
All denominations.....	78,878	100.0	1 60,375	100.0	Unitarians.....	9,327	2.3	6,854	1.6
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	16,320	20.7	11,501	19.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	9,053	2.3	7,063	1.7
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	15,389	19.5	10,402	17.3	All other denominations.....	21,022	5.2	62,871	14.9
Baptists—National Convention.....	15,294	19.4	11,754	19.5	BRIDGEPORT, CONN.				
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,406	8.1	5,470	9.1	All denominations.....	82,170	100.0	1 57,313	100.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	5,849	7.4	4,067	6.7	Roman Catholic Church.....	61,369	74.7	1 42,511	74.2
Roman Catholic Church.....	4,802	6.1	1 5,975	9.9	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,603	4.4	2,634	4.6
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,730	3.5	2,101	3.5	Congregational Churches.....	3,172	3.9	2,878	5.0
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,539	3.2	2,332	3.9	Russian Orthodox Church.....	2,533	3.1	645	1.1
Disciples of Christ.....	1,949	2.5	947	1.6	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,530	3.1	2,230	3.9
Congregational Churches.....	1,783	2.3	1,138	1.9	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,915	2.3	1,423	2.5
Jewish congregations.....	1,345	2.0	2 250	0.4	Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,230	1.5	757	1.3
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	800	1.1	1,019	1.7	Jewish congregations.....	850	1.0	270	0.5
All other denominations.....	3,412	4.3	3,359	5.6	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	803	1.0	575	1.0
BALTIMORE, MD.					All other denominations.....	4,105	5.0	3,390	5.9
All denominations.....	206,599	100.0	1 242,685	100.0	BUFFALO, N. Y.				
Roman Catholic Church.....	137,730	66.4	1 118,114	48.7	All denominations.....	277,045	100.0	1 217,607	100.0
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	30,217	10.2	24,605	10.1	Roman Catholic Church.....	193,220	69.7	1 148,700	68.3
Baptists—National Convention.....	24,648	8.3	16,081	6.6	German Evangelical Synod.....	11,902	4.3	13,256	6.1
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	17,209	5.8	16,812	6.9	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	10,333	3.7	7,472	3.4
Lutheran—General Synod.....	12,259	4.1	7,743	3.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	10,004	3.6	8,483	3.9
Jewish congregations.....	11,775	4.0	2 2,042	0.8	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,441	3.0	6,140	2.8
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,105	3.1	8,224	3.4	Lutheran—General Council.....	8,140	2.9	6,538	3.2
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	8,863	3.0	7,461	3.1	Polish National Catholic Church.....	7,000	2.5	3,500	1.6
Methodist Protestant Church.....	6,363	2.1	3,417	1.4	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	6,029	2.2	5,584	2.5
Reformed Church in the United States.....	5,570	1.9	4,496	1.9	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	4,374	1.6	4,437	2.0
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	5,204	1.8	4,283	1.8	Reformed Church in the United States.....	4,342	1.6	3,874	1.6
German Evangelical Synod.....	4,312	1.5	7,105	2.9	All other denominations.....	18,280	4.8	9,803	4.5
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	3,279	1.1	3,188	1.3	CAMBRIDGE, MASS.				
All other denominations.....	20,065	6.8	19,114	7.9	All denominations.....	45,210	100.0	1 51,727	100.0
BIRMINGHAM, ALA.					Roman Catholic Church.....	28,206	62.4	1 38,874	75.2
All denominations.....	77,145	100.0	1 27,578	100.0	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,422	7.6	2,918	5.6
Baptists—National Convention.....	20,145	26.1	4,029	14.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,239	7.2	1,950	3.8
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	15,477	20.1	3,919	14.2	Congregational Churches.....	2,593	5.7	2,972	5.7
Roman Catholic Church.....	12,651	16.4	1 7,965	28.9	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,815	4.0	1,113	2.2
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	8,420	10.9	2,059	7.5	Unitarians.....	1,218	2.7	747	1.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,703	4.8	2,088	7.6	Jewish congregations.....	1,005	2.2	65	0.1
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	2,452	3.2	1,082	3.9	Armenian Church.....	800	1.3	437	0.8
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,200	3.0	970	3.5	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	500	1.1	.....	.....
					All other denominations.....	2,612	5.8	2,651	5.1

1 Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

2 Heads of families only.

TABLE 45.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH CITY HAVING, IN 1910, 100,000 INHABITANTS OR MORE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.				CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.			
	1916		1906			1916		1906	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
CHICAGO, ILL.					DENVER, COLO.—continued.				
All denominations.....	1,053,785	100.0	1,033,811	100.0	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	4,423	6.2	3,989	6.3
Roman Catholic Church.....	718,114	67.8	1,669,134	71.7	Congregational Churches.....	3,768	5.2	3,223	5.1
Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>2</sup> .....	40,646	3.8	40,598	4.3	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,072	5.1	2,712	4.3
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	33,676	3.2	29,456	3.2	Disciples of Christ.....	2,467	3.4	2,111	3.3
Jewish congregations.....	30,562	2.9	24,703	0.5	Jewish congregations.....	2,000	2.8	1,703	1.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	27,408	2.6	21,341	2.3	Baptists—National Convention.....	1,238	1.7	1,072	1.1
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	24,437	2.3	18,022	1.9	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,153	1.6	572	0.9
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	22,233	2.1	19,275	2.1	Buddhists—Japanese temples.....	911	1.3	—	—
German Evangelical Synod.....	21,234	2.0	17,653	1.8	Lutheran—General Synod.....	870	1.2	433	0.7
Lutheran—General Council.....	16,138	1.5	11,930	1.3	Lutheran—General Council.....	741	1.0	429	0.7
Congregational Churches.....	15,448	1.5	15,621	1.7	All other denominations.....	7,213	10.0	7,095	11.2
Baptists—National Convention.....	11,822	1.1	6,784	0.6					
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	11,200	1.1	10,000	1.1					
All other denominations.....	85,827	8.1	70,894	7.6					
CINCINNATI, OHIO.					DETROIT, MICH.				
All denominations.....	167,028	100.0	1,178,406	100.0	All denominations.....	330,600	100.0	1,216,832	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	101,031	61.0	1,124,954	70.0	Roman Catholic Church.....	204,796	61.9	1,151,149	69.7
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	12,268	7.3	8,643	4.8	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	17,756	5.4	11,976	5.5
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,269	5.5	7,566	4.3	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	16,238	4.9	8,441	3.9
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	6,538	3.9	8,218	4.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	14,113	4.3	8,252	3.8
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,623	3.4	4,308	2.4	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	10,915	3.3	8,041	3.7
Baptists—National Convention.....	5,524	3.3	3,588	2.0	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	9,690	2.9	5,570	2.6
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	5,124	3.1	4,179	2.3	German Evangelical Synod.....	7,899	2.4	7,214	3.3
German Evangelical Synod.....	3,775	2.3	3,275	1.8	Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	6,504	2.0	4,510	2.1
Disciples of Christ.....	3,354	2.0	2,913	1.6	Russian Orthodox Church.....	4,055	1.5	—	—
Jewish congregations.....	2,075	1.2	1,680	0.9	Jewish congregations.....	4,058	1.4	1,131	0.5
All other denominations.....	11,547	6.9	9,052	5.1	Armenian Church.....	3,800	1.1	74	( <sup>3</sup> )
CLEVELAND, OHIO.					FALL RIVER, MASS.				
All denominations.....	357,281	100.0	1,158,061	100.0	All denominations.....	91,373	100.0	1,82,853	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	261,427	73.2	1,78,155	49.4	Roman Catholic Church.....	78,570	86.0	1,73,171	88.3
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	16,725	4.7	10,383	6.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,996	4.4	2,053	2.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	9,924	2.8	5,880	3.7	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,974	2.2	1,823	2.2
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	8,612	2.4	5,621	3.6	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,050	2.1	1,818	2.2
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	8,280	2.3	7,764	4.9	Congregational Churches.....	1,135	1.3	1,072	1.3
Congregational Churches.....	7,803	2.2	7,692	4.9	All other denominations.....	3,698	4.0	2,916	3.5
Jewish congregations.....	6,610	1.9	2,137	1.4					
Disciples of Christ.....	5,267	1.5	3,373	2.1					
German Evangelical Synod.....	4,955	1.4	5,981	3.8					
Reformed Church in the United States.....	3,854	1.1	4,395	2.8					
Baptists—National Convention.....	3,762	1.1	1,244	0.8					
All other denominations.....	20,031	5.6	25,446	16.1					
COLUMBUS, OHIO.					GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.				
All denominations.....	94,772	100.0	1,68,272	100.0	All denominations.....	57,632	100.0	1,46,659	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	31,948	33.7	133,409	48.9	Roman Catholic Church.....	25,074	43.5	1,22,356	47.9
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	20,901	22.1	10,401	15.2	Christian Reformed Church.....	7,314	12.7	4,880	9.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	6,971	7.4	3,507	5.1	Reformed Church in America.....	4,320	7.5	3,040	6.5
Baptists—National Convention.....	4,222	4.5	1,816	2.7	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,549	6.2	2,766	5.9
Jewish congregations.....	4,200	4.4	575	0.8	Congregational Churches.....	2,572	4.5	2,359	5.1
Disciples of Christ.....	3,521	3.7	1,170	1.7	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	2,400	4.3	2,176	4.7
Congregational Churches.....	2,895	3.1	2,444	3.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,251	3.9	1,812	3.9
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	2,885	3.0	2,695	3.9	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,445	2.5	1,246	2.7
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,076	2.2	1,372	2.0	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,240	2.2	877	1.9
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,917	2.0	1,433	2.1	Independent churches.....	1,205	2.1	1,007	2.2
United Brethren in Christ.....	1,553	2.0	606	0.7	German Evangelical Synod.....	935	1.6	505	1.1
Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	1,200	1.3	800	1.2	Disciples of Christ.....	777	1.3	900	1.9
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,092	1.2	2,800	4.1	All other denominations.....	4,460	7.7	3,255	7.0
All other denominations.....	9,091	9.6	5,384	7.9					
DAYTON, OHIO.					INDIANAPOLIS, IND.				
All denominations.....	64,735	100.0	1,57,755	100.0	All denominations.....	96,225	100.0	1,90,348	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	26,923	41.6	1,29,305	50.7	Roman Catholic Church.....	31,601	32.8	1,36,884	40.8
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,644	7.8	4,575	7.9	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	17,224	17.9	12,035	13.3
United Brethren in Christ.....	4,627	7.1	4,662	8.1	Disciples of Christ.....	8,545	8.9	7,939	8.8
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,802	5.9	2,810	4.9	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	5,815	6.0	5,244	5.8
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,325	5.1	3,056	5.3	Baptists—National Convention.....	5,801	6.0	5,578	6.2
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	2,895	4.5	1,976	2.9	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	4,886	5.1	3,830	4.2
Reformed Church in the United States.....	2,801	4.3	2,713	4.7	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	3,011	3.1	2,921	3.2
German Evangelical Synod.....	2,275	3.5	1,450	2.5	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,898	2.0	1,916	2.1
Lutheran—General Synod.....	1,886	2.9	1,332	2.3	Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,897	2.0	1,179	1.3
Baptists—National Convention.....	1,881	2.9	957	1.1	African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	1,605	1.6	731	0.8
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,507	2.3	1,120	1.9	German Evangelical Synod.....	1,446	1.5	2,008	2.2
Jewish congregations.....	1,350	2.1	172	0.3	Friends (Orthodox).....	1,140	1.2	918	1.0
Disciples of Christ.....	1,179	1.8	905	1.0	United Brethren in Christ.....	1,074	1.1	433	0.5
Brethren Church (Progressive).....	880	1.4	200	0.3	Jewish congregations.....	1,000	1.0	8395	0.4
All other denominations.....	4,800	6.7	3,122	5.4	All other denominations.....	9,382	9.8	8,337	9.2
DENVER, COLO.					JERSEY CITY, N. J.				
All denominations.....	71,847	100.0	1,63,286	100.0	All denominations.....	146,490	100.0	1,118,274	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	28,772	40.0	130,580	48.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	109,436	74.7	1,90,916	76.9
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	8,885	12.4	6,837	10.8	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,755	3.9	4,810	4.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	5,741	8.0	4,032	7.3	Jewish congregations.....	4,760	3.2	2,223	0.2
					Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,612	3.1	4,335	3.7
					Reformed Church in America.....	4,392	3.0	3,497	3.0
					Lutheran—General Council.....	2,933	2.0	3,565	3.0
					Baptists—Northern Convention.....	2,865	2.0	2,781	2.4
					Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	2,774	1.9	2,272	1.9
					Lutheran—General Synod.....	2,145	1.5	1,819	1.5
					Russian Orthodox Church.....	1,495	1.0	—	—
					All other denominations.....	5,333	3.6	4,056	3.4

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Heads of families only.<sup>4</sup> Exclusive in 1906 of part of Cleveland diocese, not reported separately.<sup>5</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

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TABLE 45.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH CITY HAVING, IN 1910, 100,000 INHABITANTS OR MORE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.				CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.			
	1916		1906			1916		1906	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
KANSAS CITY, MO.					MILWAUKEE, WIS.—continued.				
All denominations.....	103,905	100.0	164,870	100.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,592	2.3	3,788	2.2
Roman Catholic Church.....	32,311	31.1	22,444	34.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,601	1.8	2,798	1.6
Disciples of Christ.....	11,343	10.9	7,351	11.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,198	1.6	2,158	1.2
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	10,312	9.9	5,776	8.9	Serbian Orthodox Church.....	3,110	1.5	.....	.....
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	8,019	8.6	6,875	10.6	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	2,500	1.2	150	0.1
Baptists—National Convention.....	8,614	8.3	2,219	3.4	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	2,465	1.2	2,285	1.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	5,817	5.6	2,231	3.4	Lutheran—General Council.....	2,115	1.1	613	0.4
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	4,518	4.4	2,513	3.9	All other denominations.....	11,394	5.7	8,280	4.8
Jewish congregations.....	3,700	3.6	2,345	3.9	MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.				
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,203	3.1	1,460	2.3	All denominations.....	122,259	100.0	1,104,873	100.0
Congregational Churches.....	2,350	2.3	2,022	3.1	Roman Catholic Church.....	51,776	42.3	153,696	51.2
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,300	2.2	2,217	3.4	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	9,778	8.0	6,661	6.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	2,178	2.1	1,470	2.3	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	8,015	6.6	5,831	5.6
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	1,650	1.6	600	0.9	Lutheran—General Council.....	7,841	6.4	4,610	4.4
All other denominations.....	6,572	6.3	7,327	11.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	7,205	5.9	6,059	5.8
LOS ANGELES, CALIF.					Congregational Churches.....	6,327	5.2	5,994	5.7
All denominations.....	122,697	100.0	183,247	100.0	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,183	4.2	4,785	4.6
Roman Catholic Church.....	40,107	40.0	143,171	48.9	Lutheran—Norwegian Synod.....	2,850	2.3	2,170	2.1
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	14,036	11.4	9,385	10.6	Russian Orthodox Church.....	2,714	2.2	806	0.8
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,763	8.0	6,270	7.1	Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>1</sup> .....	2,667	2.2	1,377	1.3
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	7,348	6.0	3,403	3.9	Jewish congregations.....	2,200	1.8	2,806	0.8
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,027	4.9	3,657	4.1	Lutheran—United Norwegian.....	2,092	1.7	755	0.7
Congregational Churches.....	5,643	4.6	3,402	3.9	Swedish Evangelical Mission Covenant.....	1,984	1.6	1,455	1.4
Disciples of Christ.....	5,489	4.5	3,285	3.7	Lutheran—Free Church (Norwegian).....	1,604	1.3	1,430	1.4
Independent churches.....	2,749	2.2	1,442	1.6	All other denominations.....	10,013	8.2	8,453	8.1
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	2,000	1.6	800	0.9	NASHVILLE, TENN.				
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	1,475	1.2	1,142	1.3	All denominations.....	60,506	100.0	145,223	100.0
Pentecostal Church of the Nazarene.....	1,425	1.2	1,635	1.9	Baptists—National Convention.....	14,146	23.4	6,408	14.2
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,087	0.9	814	0.9	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	11,210	18.5	8,413	18.6
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,086	0.9	760	0.9	Roman Catholic Church.....	8,845	9.7	16,900	15.3
Baptists—National Convention.....	1,024	0.8	1,086	1.2	Baptists—Southern Convention.....	5,814	9.6	4,417	9.8
Lutheran—General Synod.....	1,010	0.8	890	0.4	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	4,133	6.8	3,259	7.2
Jewish congregations.....	1,000	0.8	621	0.6	Churches of Christ.....	3,946	6.5	2,974	6.6
All other denominations.....	12,428	10.1	7,074	8.0	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,903	6.5	1,438	3.2
LOUISVILLE, KY.					Disciples of Christ.....	2,070	3.4	1,574	3.5
All denominations.....	120,529	100.0	1,162,360	100.0	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,789	3.0	1,305	2.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	53,474	41.3	1,100,200	61.7	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,245	2.1	.....	.....
Baptists—National Convention.....	10,549	12.8	10,260	6.2	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,064	1.8	1,914	4.2
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	12,987	10.0	10,204	6.3	Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	923	1.5	427	0.9
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	6,080	5.4	5,430	3.3	Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	622	1.1	474	1.0
German Evangelical Synod.....	6,119	4.7	9,200	5.7	Congregational Churches.....	616	1.0	3,068	6.8
Disciples of Christ.....	5,415	4.2	4,344	2.7	All other denominations.....	3,143	5.2	.....	.....
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	5,126	4.0	3,834	2.4	NEW HAVEN, CONN.				
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	4,499	3.5	3,632	2.2	All denominations.....	104,728	100.0	175,659	100.0
Lutheran—General Synod.....	2,655	2.0	2,100	1.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	78,840	75.3	153,322	70.6
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,223	1.7	2,123	1.3	Congregational Churches.....	7,037	6.7	6,895	9.1
Jewish congregations.....	2,200	1.7	955	0.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,347	6.1	4,806	6.5
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,931	1.5	1,995	1.2	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,236	3.1	3,730	4.9
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,531	1.2	1,271	0.8	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,066	2.9	2,520	3.3
Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,419	1.1	1,129	0.7	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,398	1.3	1,535	2.0
All other denominations.....	6,366	4.9	5,523	3.4	Lutheran—General Council.....	1,219	1.2	292	0.4
LOWELL, MASS.					Jewish congregations.....	3,585	3.4	2,399	3.2
All denominations.....	91,476	100.0	175,073	100.0	All other denominations.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Roman Catholic Church.....	65,038	71.2	155,380	73.8	NEW ORLEANS, LA.				
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	12,000	13.1	6,000	8.0	All denominations.....	195,617	100.0	1,212,717	100.0
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	4,011	4.4	2,501	3.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	147,686	75.5	174,799	82.2
Congregational Churches.....	2,918	3.2	3,188	4.2	Baptists—National Convention.....	11,369	5.8	9,501	4.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,511	1.7	1,645	2.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,630	3.4	5,178	2.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,288	1.4	1,273	1.8	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	6,025	3.1	4,475	2.1
All other denominations.....	4,650	5.1	4,986	6.6	German Evangelical Synod.....	4,069	2.0	4,353	2.0
MEMPHIS, TENN.					Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,878	2.0	3,667	1.7
All denominations.....	59,975	100.0	133,407	100.0	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,475	1.8	3,333	1.6
Baptists—National Convention.....	15,947	26.6	8,820	23.0	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	3,220	1.6	2,352	1.1
Roman Catholic Church.....	10,160	16.9	10,200	16.1	Jewish congregations.....	2,653	1.4	1,935	0.4
Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	7,872	13.1	5,560	14.5	All other denominations.....	6,682	3.4	4,034	1.9
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,707	7.8	2,322	7.1	NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.				
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,057	6.8	2,742	8.2	All denominations.....	2,101,233	100.0	12,087,972	100.0
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	3,940	6.6	3,136	6.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	1,545,562	73.6	1,663,265	79.7
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	3,407	5.6	2,415	5.9	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	106,611	5.1	92,534	4.4
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,376	5.6	2,259	3.3	Jewish congregations.....	93,819	4.5	30,414	1.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,173	5.3	1,267	1.8	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	61,707	2.9	48,914	2.3
Disciples of Christ.....	1,688	2.8	709	1.8	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	50,745	2.4	49,970	2.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,067	1.8	375	1.0	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	45,954	2.2	43,601	2.1
Jewish congregations.....	900	1.5	2,620	6.8	Lutheran—General Council.....	33,629	1.6	30,889	1.5
All other denominations.....	3,088	5.1	.....	.....	Reformed Church in America.....	25,706	1.2	24,005	1.1
MILWAUKEE, WIS.					Congregational Churches.....	25,230	1.2	21,096	1.0
All denominations.....	201,082	100.0	1,173,109	100.0	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	22,680	1.1	12,575	0.6
Roman Catholic Church.....	120,921	63.1	1,119,856	68.9	All other denominations.....	88,560	4.3	70,729	3.4
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	35,969	17.9	29,985	17.3	* For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.				
German Evangelical Synod.....	5,217	2.6	3,635	2.1	1 Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 20 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.				
1 Heads of families only.					2 Heads of families only.				

## RELIGIOUS BODIES.

TABLE 45.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH CITY HAVING, IN 1910, 100,000 INHABITANTS OR MORE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.				CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.			
	1916		1906			1916		1906	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
NEWARK, N. J.					PITTSBURGH, PA.—continued.				
All denominations.....	169,420	100.0	127,986	100.0	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	6,060	1.6	3,674	1.6
Roman Catholic Church.....	113,950	67.3	84,524	66.0	Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>1</sup> .....	5,171	1.4	4,985	1.9
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	13,295	7.8	10,489	8.2	Evangelical Protestant Church <sup>2</sup> .....	5,010	1.3	4,084	1.8
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	8,320	4.9	7,125	5.6	Jewish congregations.....	4,975	1.3	2,124	0.9
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,175	3.6	5,195	4.1	German Evangelical Synod.....	4,233	1.1	.....	.....
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	4,811	2.8	4,586	3.6	Disciples of Christ.....	4,185	1.1	2,564	1.1
Jewish congregations.....	4,665	2.8	1,031	0.8	Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	4,019	1.1	1,402	0.6
Reformed Church in America.....	4,268	2.5	4,214	3.3	African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	3,740	1.0	820	0.4
Baptists—National Convention.....	3,815	2.3	1,775	1.4	All other denominations.....	18,093	4.8	15,096	7.0
All other denominations.....	10,121	6.0	9,047	7.1	PORTLAND, OREG.				
OAKLAND, CALIF.					All denominations.....	60,280	100.0	43,420	100.0
All denominations.....	62,837	100.0	46,331	100.0	Roman Catholic Church.....	20,113	33.4	20,919	48.2
Roman Catholic Church.....	42,907	68.4	30,540	65.9	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	6,457	10.7	3,399	7.8
Congregational Churches.....	3,540	5.6	2,424	5.2	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,838	9.7	4,053	9.3
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,048	4.9	2,587	5.6	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	4,670	7.7	3,097	7.1
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,105	3.3	1,897	3.0	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	3,500	5.8	250	0.6
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	1,917	3.1	2,482	5.4	Congregational Churches.....	2,950	4.9	1,599	3.7
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,898	3.0	1,718	3.7	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,721	4.5	1,865	4.3
Jewish congregations.....	700	1.1	140	0.3	Disciples of Christ.....	1,907	3.2	1,058	2.4
Disciples of Christ.....	624	1.0	450	1.0	Jewish congregations.....	1,315	2.2	244	1.0
All other denominations.....	6,008	9.6	4,623	10.0	Lutheran—General Council.....	801	1.3	661	1.5
OMAHA, NEBR.					Evangelistic associations—Apostolic Faith.....	768	1.3	.....	.....
All denominations.....	68,391	100.0	38,556	100.0	Seventh-day Adventist.....	731	1.2	398	0.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	37,894	55.4	17,709	48.4	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	708	1.2	423	1.0
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,482	6.6	2,958	8.1	Evangelical Association.....	571	0.9	394	0.9
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,825	5.6	2,622	7.2	Friends (Orthodox).....	527	0.9	226	0.5
Lutheran—General Synod.....	3,586	5.2	656	1.8	United Brethren in Christ.....	454	0.8	106	0.2
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,438	5.0	1,923	5.3	Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	452	0.7	217	0.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,294	3.3	2,094	5.7	All other denominations.....	5,797	9.6	4,341	10.0
Congregational Churches.....	1,928	2.8	1,184	3.2	PROVIDENCE, R. I.				
Lutheran—General Council.....	1,427	2.1	747	2.0	All denominations.....	150,285	100.0	148,918	100.0
Disciples of Christ.....	1,306	1.9	1,184	3.2	Roman Catholic Church.....	111,525	74.2	118,028	79.3
National Spiritualists' Association <sup>3</sup> .....	1,200	1.8	80	0.2	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	8,459	5.6	6,266	4.2
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,006	1.5	427	1.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,753	5.2	6,850	4.3
Jewish congregations.....	925	1.4	335	0.9	Congregational Churches.....	4,444	3.0	4,603	3.1
United Presbyterian Church.....	731	1.1	583	1.6	Armenian Church.....	4,000	2.7	1,860	1.2
All other denominations.....	4,399	6.4	4,054	11.1	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,730	2.5	2,937	2.0
PATERSON, N. J.					All other denominations.....	10,374	6.9	8,874	6.0
All denominations.....	67,990	100.0	50,901	100.0	RICHMOND, VA.				
Roman Catholic Church.....	44,033	64.8	32,895	64.6	All denominations.....	82,944	100.0	55,973	100.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	4,631	6.8	2,443	4.8	Baptists—National Convention.....	24,361	29.4	15,791	28.2
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,969	5.8	3,205	6.3	Baptists—Southern Convention.....	16,873	20.3	10,443	18.7
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,846	5.7	2,521	5.0	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	12,021	14.5	6,601	11.8
Reformed Church in America.....	3,019	4.4	3,190	6.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	10,778	13.0	19,780	17.5
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,010	4.4	2,107	4.1	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,382	7.7	4,893	8.7
Christian Reformed Church.....	1,573	2.3	1,161	2.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	4,498	5.4	3,117	5.6
Baptists—National Convention.....	700	1.0	418	0.8	Disciples of Christ.....	2,996	3.6	2,268	4.1
All other denominations.....	3,209	4.7	2,961	5.8	Jewish congregations.....	1,000	1.2	2,889	0.7
PHILADELPHIA, PA.					All other denominations.....	4,037	4.9	2,691	4.8
All denominations.....	776,422	100.0	609,975	100.0	ROCHESTER, N. Y.				
Roman Catholic Church.....	436,700	56.2	340,724	55.9	All denominations.....	143,219	100.0	41,951	100.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	62,929	8.1	51,718	8.5	Roman Catholic Church.....	87,171	60.9	( <sup>4</sup> )	.....
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	55,848	7.2	44,093	7.3	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	11,619	8.1	8,805	21.0
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	52,029	6.8	46,644	7.6	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	7,891	5.5	6,199	14.8
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	46,414	6.0	37,141	6.1	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,493	5.2	6,008	14.3
Lutheran—General Council.....	20,062	2.6	16,888	2.8	Lutheran—General Council.....	6,558	4.6	6,953	16.6
Baptists—National Convention.....	17,544	2.3	7,227	1.2	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	5,665	4.0	4,434	10.6
Reformed Church in the United States.....	11,310	1.5	9,709	1.6	Jewish congregations.....	5,132	3.6	842	2.0
Jewish congregations.....	11,038	1.4	9,991	1.6	German Evangelical Synod.....	4,391	3.1	3,400	8.1
All other denominations.....	61,948	8.0	45,242	7.4	All other denominations.....	7,299	5.1	5,310	12.7
PITTSBURGH, PA.					ST. LOUIS, MO.				
All denominations.....	377,703	100.0	227,064	100.0	All denominations.....	392,453	100.0	339,374	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	225,362	59.7	141,449	62.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	281,627	71.8	245,618	72.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	27,149	7.2	16,884	7.4	Lutheran—Synodical Conference <sup>1</sup> .....	16,001	4.1	15,746	4.6
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	21,938	5.8	12,092	5.3	German Evangelical Synod.....	15,048	3.8	12,928	3.8
United Presbyterian Church.....	14,020	3.7	6,806	3.0	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,864	2.5	7,222	2.1
Baptists—National Convention.....	12,592	3.3	5,991	2.6	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	9,851	2.5	8,281	2.4
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	7,541	2.0	5,550	2.4	Baptists—National Convention.....	9,677	2.5	4,977	1.5
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	7,000	1.9	1,500	0.7	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,976	2.0	6,889	2.0
Lutheran—General Synod.....	6,615	1.8	2,113	0.9	Baptists—Southern Convention.....	7,748	2.0	5,301	1.7
					Protestant Episcopal Church.....	6,579	1.7	5,590	1.6
					Disciples of Christ.....	4,389	1.1	4,940	1.5
					Jewish congregations.....	3,800	1.0	1,801	0.5
					All other denominations.....	19,893	5.1	19,581	5.8

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.<sup>2</sup> Heads of families only.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>4</sup> Not reported separately.



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TABLE 45.—DISTRIBUTION OF CHURCH MEMBERS IN EACH CITY HAVING, IN 1910, 100,000 INHABITANTS OR MORE, BY PRINCIPAL DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906—Continued.

CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.				CITY AND DENOMINATION.	MEMBERS.			
	1916		1906			1916		1906	
	Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.		Number.	Per cent of total.	Number.	Per cent of total.
ST. PAUL, MINN.					SPOKANE, WASH.—continued.				
All denominations.....	103,156	100.0	116,504	100.0	United Presbyterian Church.....	458	1.5	400	1.9
Roman Catholic Church.....	63,321	61.4	185,704	73.6	Lutheran—United Norwegian.....	342	1.1	355	1.7
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	6,072	5.9	4,364	3.7	Latter Day Saints, Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ.....	311	1.0	134	0.6
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	5,115	5.0	3,731	3.2	All other denominations.....	3,339	10.9	2,558	12.2
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	4,503	4.4	4,030	3.5	SYRACUSE, N. Y.				
Lutheran—General Council.....	4,419	4.3	2,930	2.5	All denominations.....	91,454	100.0	174,223	100.0
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	4,087	4.0	3,418	2.9	Roman Catholic Church.....	57,058	62.4	150,175	87.6
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,207	3.2	2,770	2.4	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	8,215	9.0	4,770	6.4
Congregational Churches.....	2,471	2.4	2,267	1.9	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	5,111	5.6	3,577	4.8
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	1,318	1.3	750	0.6	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	4,582	5.0	3,184	4.3
All other denominations.....	8,493	8.2	0,450	5.5	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	4,019	4.4	3,146	4.2
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF.					Lutheran—General Synod.....	3,279	3.6	2,468	3.3
All denominations.....	174,745	100.0	163,378	100.0	Congregational Churches.....	2,238	2.4	1,936	2.6
Roman Catholic Church.....	130,678	79.9	130,378	83.5	Jewish congregations.....	1,250	1.4	498	0.7
Jewish congregations.....	5,085	2.9	21,079	0.7	Lutheran—General Council.....	1,100	1.2	725	1.0
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	4,000	2.3	2,200	1.3	All other denominations.....	4,602	5.0	3,744	5.0
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,889	2.2	3,019	1.8	TOLEDO, OHIO.				
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,590	2.1	2,846	1.7	All denominations.....	100,938	100.0	146,212	100.0
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,377	1.9	3,272	2.0	Roman Catholic Church.....	51,002	50.5	114,202	30.7
Congregational Churches.....	1,885	1.1	2,400	1.5	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,586	7.5	4,551	9.8
All other denominations.....	13,234	7.6	12,182	7.5	Lutheran—General Council.....	4,138	4.1	2,568	5.6
SCRANTON, PA.					Lutheran—Synod of Iowa.....	3,870	3.8	3,495	7.6
All denominations.....	97,335	100.0	179,024	100.0	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	3,853	3.8	2,189	4.7
Roman Catholic Church.....	54,443	55.9	154,984	69.6	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,771	3.7	2,852	6.2
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	7,561	7.8	4,748	6.0	Congregational Churches.....	3,406	3.4	2,914	6.3
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	6,202	6.4	4,549	5.8	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,260	3.2	2,579	5.6
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	5,997	6.2	3,811	4.8	Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	3,200	3.2	1,412	3.1
Jewish congregations.....	5,350	5.5	5,509	0.7	Jewish congregations.....	2,702	2.7	444	1.0
Polish National Catholic Church.....	3,700	3.8	1,125	1.4	Disciples of Christ.....	2,384	2.4	1,060	2.3
Congregational Churches.....	2,231	2.3	1,610	2.0	United Brethren in Christ.....	2,055	2.0	1,217	2.6
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	2,137	2.2	1,704	2.2	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	2,000	2.0	150	0.3
Lutheran—General Council.....	2,008	2.1	2,013	2.5	Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,990	2.0	1,233	2.7
Lithuanian National Catholic Church.....	1,271	1.3	325	0.4	Reformed Church in the United States.....	1,990	2.0	1,429	3.1
Lutheran—Synodical Conference.....	1,168	1.2	320	0.4	All other denominations.....	3,731	3.7	3,917	8.5
Russian Orthodox Church.....	1,098	1.1	902	1.2	WASHINGTON, D. C.				
German Evangelical Synod.....	1,021	1.0	2,244	2.8	All denominations.....	164,413	100.0	144,484	100.0
All other denominations.....	3,148	3.2			Roman Catholic Church.....	51,421	31.3	151,503	35.6
SEATTLE, WASH.					Baptists—National Convention.....	27,544	16.8	26,203	18.1
All denominations.....	72,986	100.0	153,818	100.0	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	18,295	11.1	13,692	9.5
Roman Catholic Church.....	29,802	40.9	128,925	53.8	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	13,085	8.0	11,019	7.6
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	10,428	14.3	5,149	9.6	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	9,667	5.9	10,777	7.5
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	5,876	8.1	4,521	8.4	Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	9,338	5.7	8,182	5.7
Congregational Churches.....	4,207	5.8	2,580	4.8	Congregational Churches.....	3,255	2.0	2,984	2.1
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,825	5.2	2,584	4.8	Jewish congregations.....	3,225	2.0	2,698	0.5
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,810	5.2	2,406	4.6	Lutheran—General Synod.....	3,050	1.9	2,129	1.5
Jewish congregations.....	2,100	2.9	2,335	0.6	Disciples of Christ.....	3,038	1.8	2,170	1.5
Disciples of Christ.....	1,855	2.5	950	1.8	Baptists—Southern Convention.....	2,767	1.7	2,615	1.8
Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	1,500	2.1	571	1.1	African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	2,732	1.7	1,922	1.3
Lutheran—General Council.....	900	1.3	339	0.6	Methodist Episcopal Church, South.....	2,666	1.6	1,928	1.3
National Spiritualists' Association.....	803	1.2	5,395	10.0	African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,353	1.4	8,662	6.0
All other denominations.....	7,004	10.5			All other denominations.....	11,977	7.3		
SPOKANE, WASH.					WORCESTER, MASS.				
All denominations.....	30,682	100.0	120,949	100.0	All denominations.....	100,663	100.0	177,804	100.0
Roman Catholic Church.....	9,955	32.4	18,228	39.3	Roman Catholic Church.....	69,550	69.1	154,776	70.4
Methodist Episcopal Church.....	3,407	11.3	3,842	16.0	Congregational Churches.....	7,499	7.4	6,699	8.6
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	2,947	9.6	1,150	5.5	Methodist Episcopal Church.....	4,197	4.2	3,115	4.0
Congregational Churches.....	2,113	6.9	1,216	5.8	Baptists—Northern Convention.....	3,098	3.1	3,256	4.2
Disciples of Christ.....	1,857	6.1	820	3.9	Protestant Episcopal Church.....	3,083	3.1	1,807	2.3
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	1,795	5.9	1,284	4.0	Armenian Church.....	3,000	3.0	1,200	1.5
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	1,664	5.1	840	4.0	Lutheran—General Council.....	1,668	1.7	1,243	1.6
Unitarians.....	1,500	4.9	750	1.2	Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic).....	1,177	1.2	800	1.0
Lutheran—Joint Synod of Ohio.....	520	1.7	245	1.2	Jewish congregations.....	1,090	1.1	825	0.8
Lutheran—General Council.....	514	1.7	302	1.4	Lithuanian National Catholic Church.....	1,050	1.0	400	0.5
					Syrian Orthodox Church.....	1,000	1.0	3,883	5.0
					All other denominations.....	4,245	4.2		

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.  
<sup>2</sup> Heads of families only.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.  
<sup>4</sup> Exclusive, in 1906, of part of Cleveland diocese not reported separately.

Of the 50 cities included in the table, the Roman Catholic Church was the leading denomination in 45, representing in each of these 45 cities over 30 per cent of the total membership. Roman Catholics consti-

tuted over 30 and under 50 per cent of the total membership in 14 of the cities, over 50 and under 75 per cent in 27 of the cities, and over 75 per cent in 4 of the cities. The highest proportion of Roman Catholic

members was reported by Fall River, Mass., 86 per cent. The proportion was 79.9 per cent in San Francisco, Calif., 75.5 per cent in New Orleans, La., and 75.3 per cent in New Haven, Conn. Even if allowance be made for the return of practically the entire Roman Catholic population as members in the Roman Catholic Church, still this denomination stands out quite prominently in many of the large cities.

The National Baptist Convention (Negro) was the leading denomination in 4 of the 50 cities, as follows: Birmingham, Ala., to which it contributed 26.1 per cent of the total membership; Memphis, Tenn., 26.6 per cent; Nashville, Tenn., 23.4 per cent; and Richmond, Va., 29.4 per cent. In Atlanta, Ga., the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, led in number of members, with 20.7 per cent of the total.

Each of 10 cities, in 1916, reported a membership of over a quarter of a million. Arranged in the order of the number of members, these cities, with their membership, are: New York, N. Y., 2,101,233; Chicago, Ill., 1,058,785; Philadelphia, Pa., 776,422; Boston, Mass., 401,498; St. Louis, Mo., 392,453; Pittsburgh, Pa., 377,703; Cleveland, Ohio, 357,261; Detroit, Mich., 330,600; Baltimore, Md., 296,599; and Buffalo, N. Y., 277,045.

New York City, with 2,101,233 members reported in 1916, had almost twice the membership reported by any other city. The Roman Catholic Church was the leading denomination, with 1,545,562 members, or 73.6 per cent of the total. The Protestant Episcopal Church was second, with 106,611 members, or 5.1 per cent of the total; and the Jewish congregations, third, with 93,819 members, or 4.5 per cent of the total. Chicago is the second city in number of members, with 1,058,785, of whom 718,114, or 67.8 per cent, belong to the Roman Catholic Church; 40,646, or 3.8 per cent, belong to the Lutheran Synodical Conference; 33,676, or 3.2 per cent, belong to the Methodist Episcopal Church; and the remainder is distributed among a number of other denominations. Philadelphia ranks third in number of members, with 776,422, of whom the Roman Catholic Church reported 436,700, or 56.2 per cent; the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, 62,929, or 8.1 per cent; the Methodist Episcopal Church, 55,848, or 7.2 per cent; the Protestant Episcopal Church, 52,629, or 6.8 per cent; and the Northern Baptist Convention, 46,414, or 6 per cent. Boston, the fourth city in number of members, reported 401,498. The Roman Catholic Church led in this city with 73.5 per cent of the total membership; next in order were the Jewish congregations, with 4.5 per cent; the Protestant Episcopal Church, with 4.4 per cent; and the Northern Baptist Convention, with 4 per cent.

As already stated, the Roman Catholic Church was the leading denomination in 1916 in 45 of the 50 cities of 100,000 inhabitants or more, the National Baptist

Convention in 4 cities, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in 1 city. Of these denominations, the Roman Catholic held second place in Memphis, the National Baptist Convention in Louisville, New Orleans, and Washington, and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South in Birmingham and Nashville. The Methodist Episcopal Church was second in rank in the largest number of cities—14 out of 50. The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America held second place in 7 cities, the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Lutheran Synodical Conference in 5 cities each, and the Congregational Churches in 3 cities, 7 other denominations holding second place in either 1 or 2 cities. Of these 7, the Jewish congregations were second in rank in Boston and San Francisco, and the Greek Orthodox Church (Hellenic) in Lowell.

Of the denominations mentioned above, the Roman Catholic Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, and the Protestant Episcopal Church had their highest numerical strength in the cities of New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia; the Congregational Churches and the Jewish congregations in New York, Chicago, and Boston; and the Lutheran Synodical Conference in Chicago, Detroit, and Milwaukee.

While in many of the cities there were some changes between 1906 and 1916 in the rank of the different denominations according to membership, yet in each city, as a rule, the same denomination ranked first both in 1906 and 1916. There were, however, a few exceptions to this general rule. In Atlanta the National Baptist Convention ranked first in 1906 and third in 1916; in Birmingham the Roman Catholic Church was first in 1906 and third in 1916; and in Nashville the Methodist Episcopal Church, South was first in 1906 and second in 1916.

Notwithstanding the fact that both in 1906 and in 1916 each city of 100,000 inhabitants or more reported a number of different denominations, yet at each date a majority of the membership of each city was reported by a very few denominations. Thus, the table shows that in 1916 a majority of the membership was reported by the leading denomination in each of 31 cities, by the leading two denominations in each of 9 cities, and by the leading three denominations in each of the remaining 10 cities. In 33 of the 45 cities in which the Roman Catholic Church was the leading denomination in 1916, it was with a smaller proportion of the total membership than in 1906. As stated on page 116, there was no report of the membership of this church in 1906 for Rochester and only a partial report for Cleveland and Toledo. Of the 4 cities in which the National Baptist Convention was the leading denomination, it was with an increased proportion over 1906, as was also the case of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which led in Atlanta.

## SUMMARY OF STATISTICS OF NEGRO CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS.

This summary presents statistics of denominations composed entirely of Negro organizations and, also, of the Negro organizations of those denominations in which they constitute only a part. In the latter case, an entire ecclesiastical division may be composed of Negro organizations, or they may form a part of the general ecclesiastical divisions of the denominations to which they belong. As in 1906, the statistics are restricted to Negro churches, no effort having been made to ascertain the number of Negro members belonging to local white churches. Special effort was made to secure complete lists of Negro churches, which were difficult to obtain, particularly among the Baptist bodies, on account of the lack of any inclusive ecclesiastical organization. It is believed, however, that the statistics herein presented are more nearly complete than those presented at preceding censuses.

The denominations exclusively Negro in membership were 19 in number in 1916 as against 17 reported in 1906 and 11 in 1890. Three bodies, the Church of the Living God, the Colored Methodist Protestant Church, and the African American Methodist Episcopal Church, are presented for the first time, while 1 body, the Church of Christ in God, presented in 1906, has been consolidated with the Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship. The body reported in 1906 as the United American Free

Will Baptists has changed its name to Colored Free Will Baptists and was so reported in 1916.

The denominations composed in part of Negro organizations were 21 in number in 1916 as against 26 reported in 1906 and 18 in 1890. Seven bodies, the Free and Primitive Baptists, the Lutheran General Council, the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, the Reformed Church in America, and the United Brethren in Christ, reported Negro organizations in 1906 but reported none in 1916; while two new bodies, the Regular Baptists and Churches of God, General Assembly, each reported one Negro organization.

## GENERAL SUMMARY FOR 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

General statistics of denominations composed wholly or in part of Negro organizations are presented in Tables 70 to 73 (pp. 554 to 579), as follows: Table 70 presents statistics of these denominations for the United States; Table 71 presents statistics, by states, for all of these denominations combined; Table 72 presents statistics, by states, for each denomination reported separately in the state; and Table 73 presents comparative statistics for the United States.

The following table summarizes, for the United States, the statistics of all Negro organizations in 1916, 1906, and 1890, with number and per cent of increase:

ITEM OF INQUIRY.	NUMBER OR AMOUNT.			INCREASE: 1906 TO 1916.		INCREASE: 1890 TO 1906.	
	1916	1906	1890	Number or amount.	Per cent.	Number or amount.	Per cent.
Organizations.....	39,655	30,770	23,462	2,885	7.8	13,308	56.7
Members.....	4,602,805	1,369,844	12,676,539	910,961	24.7	1,015,305	37.9
Church edifices.....	37,371	35,160	23,770	2,211	6.3	11,390	47.9
Value of church property.....	\$80,809,970	\$56,036,159	\$20,020,448	\$30,173,811	53.3	\$30,009,711	112.7
Debt on church property.....	\$7,938,095	\$5,005,905	.....	\$2,932,190	58.6	.....	.....
Value of parsonages.....	\$6,231,459	\$3,727,884	.....	\$2,503,575	67.2	.....	.....
Expenditures.....	\$18,529,827	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sunday schools:							
Number.....	37,426	34,681	.....	2,745	7.9	.....	.....
Officers and teachers.....	247,804	210,148	.....	37,656	17.9	.....	.....
Scholars.....	2,153,843	1,740,099	.....	413,744	23.8	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

The summary shows an increase in 1916, as compared with 1906, in every item for which comparable figures are available, and in some cases the increases are very large. Only four of the items were common to the three censuses, and in comparing the increases for the two periods, it must be remembered that the former period covers 16 years and the latter only 10 years. This accounts largely for the smaller amount of numerical increase which is noticeable in the latter period as compared with the former, value of property being the only exception in the four items for which comparison can be made. The small amount of in-

crease shown in number of organizations in the latter period, as compared with the former, corresponds with conditions in all denominations, where, as has been noted, the tendency is toward consolidation and strengthening of existing organizations rather than the formation of new ones. The acquiring of church edifices is, of course, dependent upon the formation of church organizations, so that the increase is similar. The difference in the amount of increase in members is easily accounted for by the difference of six years in the length of the two periods.

## COMPARISON OF DENOMINATIONS CONSISTING IN WHOLE OR IN PART OF NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS.

The following table shows, by denominations classified as consisting in whole or in part of Negro organi-

zations, the number of Negro organizations, the number of members, and the value of church property, as reported in 1916, 1906, and 1890.

TABLE 47.—STATISTICS OF NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

DENOMINATION.	NUMBER OF NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS.			NUMBER OF MEMBERS REPORTED.			VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY REPORTED.		
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890
All denominations having Negro organizations.....	30,655	36,770	23,462	4,602,805	13,691,844	12,676,539	\$88,800,970	\$50,636,159	\$26,620,448
Negro denominations.....	34,307	31,393	19,158	4,070,286	3,207,307	2,321,313	70,351,192	44,673,049	20,525,141
Baptist bodies:									
Baptists—National Convention.....	21,113	18,534	12,533	2,938,579	2,261,607	1,348,989	41,184,920	24,437,272	9,038,549
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	170	251	—	13,362	14,489	—	178,385	79,278	—
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	339	797	323	15,144	35,073	18,162	164,090	296,539	135,427
Church of God and Saints of Christ.....	94	46	—	3,311	1,823	—	43,746	6,000	—
Churches of the Living God:									
Church of the Living God.....	28	—	—	1,743	—	—	23,875	—	—
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	155	53	—	9,626	3,524	—	78,955	32,875	—
Church of the Living God, General Assembly <sup>2</sup> .....	10	15	—	266	752	—	12,700	25,700	—
Evangelistic associations:									
Voluntary Missionary Society.....	4	3	—	855	425	—	2,580	2,400	—
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	15	—	6,226	1,835	—	35,900	5,975	—
Methodist bodies:									
African Methodist Episcopal.....	6,636	6,647	2,481	548,355	494,777	452,725	14,631,792	11,303,489	6,468,280
African Methodist Episcopal Zion.....	2,719	2,204	1,704	257,169	184,542	349,783	7,591,393	4,833,207	2,714,123
Colored Methodist Protestant.....	67	77	42	1,967	—	—	52,733	—	—
Union American Methodist Episcopal.....	53	69	40	3,624	4,347	2,279	182,305	170,150	187,000
African Union Methodist Protestant.....	2,621	2,381	1,759	3,761	5,692	3,415	205,525	183,697	54,440
Colored Methodist Episcopal.....	47	45	32	245,749	172,996	129,383	5,019,562	3,017,849	1,713,365
Reformed Zion Union Apostolic.....	25	—	—	3,977	3,059	2,346	79,325	37,875	15,000
African American Methodist Episcopal.....	27	53	—	1,810	—	—	6,280	—	—
Reformed Methodist Union Episcopal.....	—	—	—	2,196	4,397	—	35,500	36,965	—
Congregational Methodist.....	—	—	9	—	—	319	—	—	525
Evangelist Missionary Church.....	—	—	11	—	—	961	—	—	2,000
Presbyterian bodies:									
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian.....	136	196	224	13,077	18,066	12,956	230,426	203,778	195,826
Denominations having Negro organizations.....	5,348	5,377	4,304	532,519	484,537	355,226	16,458,778	11,963,110	6,101,307
Adventist bodies:									
Advent Christian.....	10	2	—	317	72	—	10,000	3,800	—
Seventh-day Adventist.....	54	29	—	2,553	562	—	108,755	6,474	—
Baptist bodies:									
Baptists—Northern Convention.....	142	108	406	53,842	32,639	35,221	2,779,199	1,561,326	1,087,518
Regular Baptists.....	1	—	—	23	—	—	—	—	—
Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	—	4	—	—	102	—	—	2,300	—
Free Baptists.....	—	197	5	—	10,876	271	—	186,130	13,300
Baptists—Southern Convention.....	—	—	7	—	—	651	—	—	3,875
Two-Seed-in-the-Spirit Baptists.....	—	—	15	—	—	285	—	—	930
Christian Church (Christian Convention) <sup>2</sup> .....	111	92	63	10,120	7,545	4,989	156,226	69,505	23,500
Churches of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	87	41	—	2,313	1,528	—	52,025	14,850	—
Churches of God, General Assembly.....	1	—	—	24	—	—	1,000	—	—
Churches of God, General Eldership.....	7	15	—	189	329	—	4,185	5,500	—
Congregational Churches.....	154	158	85	13,209	11,960	6,908	843,518	459,497	246,125
Disciples of Christ <sup>2</sup> .....	162	129	277	11,478	9,705	18,578	246,730	170,285	176,795
Independent churches.....	6	12	—	428	490	—	8,130	2,750	—
Lutheran bodies:									
Synodical Conference.....	31	6	5	1,525	224	211	57,332	10,000	13,400
United Synod, South.....	—	—	5	—	—	94	—	—	1,750
General Council.....	—	1	—	—	15	—	—	5,000	—
Methodist bodies:									
Methodist Episcopal.....	3,704	3,750	2,984	320,025	308,551	246,249	8,047,197	6,104,379	3,630,093
Methodist Protestant.....	49	64	54	2,869	2,612	3,183	44,146	62,551	35,445
Wesleyan Methodist Connection.....	10	22	—	819	1,258	—	33,100	21,000	—
Independent Methodist.....	—	—	2	—	—	222	—	—	4,375
Moravian bodies:									
Moravian Church (Unitas Fratrum).....	1	2	—	410	351	—	—	8,000	—
Presbyterian bodies:									
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.....	434	417	233	31,957	27,799	14,961	1,276,148	752,387	391,650
Presbyterian Church in the United States.....	36	44	45	1,429	1,183	1,568	43,185	32,350	22,200
Cumberland Presbyterian.....	—	1	—	—	50	—	—	1,000	—
Associate Reformed Presbyterian <sup>2</sup> .....	—	1	—	—	18	—	—	200	—
Reformed Presbyterian Synod.....	—	—	1	—	—	76	—	—	1,500
Protestant Episcopal Church.....	217	198	49	23,775	19,098	2,977	1,527,768	1,773,279	192,750
Reformed bodies:									
Reformed Church in America.....	—	2	—	—	59	—	—	—	—
Reformed Episcopal Church.....	35	38	37	3,017	2,252	1,723	45,862	28,287	18,401
Roman Catholic Church.....	90	36	31	51,688	144,982	117,079	1,173,372	678,480	237,400
United Brethren bodies:									
United Brethren in Christ.....	—	10	—	—	277	—	—	3,100	—

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

The table shows that, with one exception, there was an increase in the number of organizations, the number of members, and the value of church property in both 1906 and 1916, for the total and for each class of denominations. The one exception was in the number of organizations from 1906 to 1916 in

the class of partly Negro denominations. This slight decrease from 5,377 to 5,348 in the number of organizations in this class may be partly due to the tendency, already noted, to consolidation of organizations during the period from 1906 to 1916, while that of the preceding period was one of expansion; and it may

be partly due to an increasing tendency of the race to unite with denominations wholly their own in preference to those of which they form only a part. These tendencies are confirmed by the following summary

which shows the changes in the proportional distribution of the two classes at each of the three censuses, and also shows the per cent of increase during the two periods.

Table 48

ITEM.	DENOMINATIONS HAVING NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS.												
	Total.	Per cent of total.						Per cent of increase. <sup>1</sup>					
		1916		1906		1890		1906-1916			1890-1906		
		Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Total.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Total.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.
		Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Total.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.	Total.	Wholly Negro.	Partly Negro.
Organizations.....	100.0	86.5	13.5	85.4	14.6	81.7	18.3	7.8	9.3	—0.5	56.7	63.9	24.9
Members.....	100.0	88.4	11.6	86.9	13.1	86.7	13.3	24.7	26.9	9.9	37.9	38.2	36.4
Value of property.....	100.0	81.0	19.0	78.9	21.1	77.1	22.9	63.3	57.5	37.6	112.7	117.7	96.1

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

According to this summary there has been an increase in each item in the proportions that the wholly Negro denominations constituted of the total and a consequent reduction in the proportions of the other class. It also shows that, with one exception, this increase in the proportions has been more rapid in the 10 years between 1906 and 1916 than in the 16 years between 1890 and 1906. This exception is in the number of organizations, in which the wholly Negro denominations constituted 86.5 per cent in 1916, as compared with 85.4 per cent in 1906 and 81.7 per cent in 1890.

In connection with the increases in the proportion of the total shown by the wholly Negro denominations, it should be stated that there is an increasing gathering of the Negro organizations into separate minor ecclesiastical divisions. Thus, in the Christian Church, the Methodist Protestant Church, the Wesleyan Methodist Connection, the Presbyterian Church in the United States, and the Reformed Episcopal Church, practically all the local Negro church organizations are combined in distinctively Negro ecclesiastical divisions. In the Congregational and Methodist Episcopal bodies the majority are so associated, and so, also, are a large number in the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. In the Northern Baptist Convention, the Churches of Christ, the Disciples of Christ, the Protestant Episcopal Church, and the Roman Catholic Church there are no such ecclesiastical divisions with exclusively Negro organizations. The distinctively Negro Baptist associations in the Northern states, reported in 1890 as connected with the Northern Baptist Convention, are in this report, as in 1906, reported with the National Baptist Convention, which accounts in part for the decrease in the number of organizations and members reported for the Negro organizations and members in the Northern Baptist Convention in 1906, as compared with 1890.

#### DETAILED STATISTICS BY DENOMINATIONS.

*Organizations and members.*—The two following tables furnish detailed statistics for the Negro organizations in those denominations composed wholly or in part of such organizations and which reported a total membership of 5,000 or over in 1916. The denominations are given in the order of size of membership in 1916, and the details indicate, respectively, the total number of organizations and of members, in 1916, 1906, and 1890; the per cent distribution at those three periods; and the increase in number and per cent from 1890 to 1916, 1906 to 1916, and 1890 to 1906. Those bodies consisting in part only of Negro organizations are indicated by the term "part," inserted after the title.

From these two tables it appears that the Negro bodies have grown steadily if not uniformly since 1890, when for the first time they were presented separately. In the comparatively few cases where there has been a decrease in number of organizations or members the loss has been due to special causes. Thus, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church shows a gain of 500 organizations from 1890 to 1906 and of 512 from 1906 to 1916, but a loss of 165,246 members from 1890 to 1906, somewhat compensated by a gain of 72,627 from 1906 to 1916. This was due to erroneous reports in 1890, giving the churches a somewhat exaggerated membership. The Colored Primitive Baptists reported a gain in number, both of organizations and members from 1890 to 1906, but a loss under both heads from 1906 to 1916, due apparently to two causes: General disturbance during the second period in economic conditions in the Southern states, resulting in a considerable migration of Negroes and failure to retain church relations; and to certain internal dissensions, resulting from the extreme individualism of their church life. The Colored Free Will Baptists showed a decrease in the period 1906 to 1916, due to the fact that it was practically impos-

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sible to obtain reports from certain communities in 1916 that reported quite fully in 1906. The loss registered for the Disciples of Christ was due to the fact that a number of churches identified with the denomination in 1890 were reported with the Churches of Christ in 1906 and 1916.

TABLE 49.—NUMBER OF NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.
Total.....	39,655	36,770	23,462	100.0	100.0	100.0	16,193	69.0	2,885	7.8	13,308	56.7
Baptists—National Convention.....	21,113	18,534	12,633	53.2	50.4	53.4	8,580	88.5	2,579	13.9	6,001	47.9
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,636	6,647	2,481	16.7	18.1	10.6	4,155	167.5	-11	-0.2	4,166	167.9
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	3,704	3,750	2,984	9.3	10.2	12.7	720	24.1	-46	-1.2	766	25.7
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	2,716	2,204	1,704	6.8	6.0	7.3	1,012	59.4	512	23.2	500	29.3
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,621	2,381	1,759	6.6	6.5	7.5	862	49.0	240	10.1	622	35.4
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	142	108	406	0.4	0.3	1.7	-264	-65.0	34	31.5	-298	-73.4
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	90	38	31	0.2	0.1	0.1	59	( <sup>2</sup> )	54	( <sup>2</sup> )	5	( <sup>2</sup> )
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	434	417	233	1.1	1.1	1.0	201	86.3	17	4.1	184	79.0
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	217	198	49	0.5	0.5	0.2	168	( <sup>2</sup> )	19	6.6	149	( <sup>2</sup> )
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	336	797	323	0.8	2.2	1.4	13	4.0	-461	-57.8	474	146.7
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	170	251	.....	0.4	0.7	.....	170	.....	-81	-32.3	251	.....
Congregational Churches (part).....	154	158	85	0.4	0.4	0.4	69	( <sup>2</sup> )	-2	-1.3	71	( <sup>2</sup> )
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	136	196	224	0.3	0.5	1.0	-88	-39.3	-60	-30.6	-28	-12.5
Disciples of Christ (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	162	129	277	0.4	0.4	1.2	-115	-41.5	33	25.6	-148	-53.4
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	111	92	63	0.3	0.3	0.3	48	( <sup>2</sup> )	19	( <sup>2</sup> )	20	( <sup>2</sup> )
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	155	53	.....	0.4	0.1	.....	155	.....	102	( <sup>2</sup> )	53	.....
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	15	.....	0.1	( <sup>2</sup> )	.....	35	.....	20	( <sup>2</sup> )	15	.....
All other bodies.....	723	806	310	1.8	2.2	1.3	413	133.2	-83	-10.3	496	160.0

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>4</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 50.—MEMBERS IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—MEMBERS REPORTED.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.
Total.....	4,002,805	3,691,844	2,676,539	100.0	100.0	100.0	1,926,266	72.0	910,961	24.7	1,015,305	37.0
Baptists—National Convention.....	2,938,579	2,261,607	1,348,989	63.8	61.3	50.4	1,589,590	117.8	676,972	29.9	912,618	67.7
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	548,355	494,777	452,725	11.9	13.4	16.9	95,630	21.1	53,578	10.8	42,052	9.3
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	320,025	308,551	246,249	7.0	8.4	9.2	73,778	30.0	11,474	3.7	62,302	25.3
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	257,169	184,542	349,788	5.6	5.0	13.1	-62,619	-26.5	72,627	39.4	-165,246	-47.2
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	245,749	172,996	129,383	5.3	4.7	4.8	116,866	89.9	72,753	42.1	43,613	33.7
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	53,842	32,639	35,221	1.2	0.9	1.3	18,621	52.9	21,203	65.0	-2,582	-7.3
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	51,688	244,982	217,079	1.1	1.2	0.6	34,609	202.6	6,706	14.9	27,903	163.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	31,957	27,799	14,961	0.7	0.8	0.6	16,996	113.6	4,158	15.0	12,838	85.8
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	23,775	19,698	2,977	0.5	0.5	0.1	20,798	698.6	4,677	24.5	16,121	541.5
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	15,144	35,076	18,162	0.3	1.0	0.7	-3,018	-16.6	-19,932	-56.8	16,914	93.1
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	13,362	14,489	.....	0.3	0.4	.....	13,362	.....	-1,127	-7.8	14,489	.....
Congregational Churches (part).....	13,209	11,960	6,008	0.3	0.3	0.3	6,301	91.2	1,249	10.4	5,052	73.1
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	13,077	18,066	12,956	0.3	0.5	0.5	121	0.9	-4,989	-27.6	5,110	39.4
Disciples of Christ (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	11,478	9,705	18,578	0.2	0.3	0.7	-7,100	-88.2	1,773	18.3	-8,873	-47.8
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	10,120	7,545	4,989	0.2	0.2	0.2	5,131	102.8	2,575	34.1	2,556	51.2
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	9,626	3,524	.....	0.2	0.1	.....	9,026	.....	6,102	173.2	3,524	.....
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	6,225	1,835	.....	0.1	( <sup>1</sup> )	.....	6,225	.....	4,390	239.2	1,835	.....
All other bodies.....	39,425	42,653	17,574	0.9	1.2	0.7	21,851	124.3	-3,228	-7.6	25,079	142.7

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (-) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29, for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>4</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.



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In only two bodies included in Table 49—the Northern Baptist Convention and the Disciples of Christ—was the per cent of increase in number of Negro organizations reported higher for the period 1906–1916 than for 1890–1906; while in number of members the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, as well as the

Northern Baptist Convention and the Disciples of Christ, showed a higher per cent of increase for the period 1906–1916 than that reported for the period 1890–1906.

*Distribution of members by sex.*—The following table shows the sex distribution, so far as reported, of the members of Negro church organizations in 1916 and 1906, for denominations reporting over 5,000 members:

TABLE 51.—MEMBERS REPORTED BY SEX IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—MEMBERS: 1916.								NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—MEMBERS: 1906.							
	Total number of members reported.	Reported by sex.						Total number of members reported.	Reported by sex.							
		Total.		Male.		Female.			Total.		Male.		Female.			
		Number.	Per cent of total number.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.		Number.	Per cent of total number.	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.		
Total.....	4,602,805	4,413,647	95.9	1,685,213	38.2	2,728,434	61.8	3,691,844	3,533,912	95.7	1,327,094	37.6	2,206,818	62.4		
Baptists—National Convention.....	2,938,570	2,933,238	99.8	1,128,237	38.5	1,805,001	61.5	2,261,007	2,201,549	97.3	822,182	37.3	1,379,387	62.7		
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	548,355	546,519	99.7	201,625	36.9	344,894	63.1	494,777	481,997	97.4	177,837	36.9	304,160	63.1		
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	320,025	180,119	56.3	67,071	37.2	113,048	62.8	308,551	271,821	88.1	102,740	37.8	169,081	62.2		
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	257,169	256,927	99.9	94,653	36.8	162,274	63.2	184,542	180,501	97.8	67,096	37.2	113,405	62.8		
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	245,749	245,749	100.0	94,709	38.6	151,040	61.5	172,990	169,252	97.8	64,988	38.4	104,264	61.6		
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	53,842	45,364	84.3	17,852	39.4	27,512	60.6	32,639	29,802	91.3	10,694	35.9	19,108	64.1		
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	51,688	35,083	67.9	15,729	44.8	19,354	55.2	144,982	141,682	92.7	19,809	47.5	21,873	52.5		
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	31,957	26,202	82.0	10,086	38.5	16,116	61.5	27,790	23,898	86.0	8,935	37.4	14,963	62.6		
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	23,776	17,241	72.5	6,238	36.2	11,003	63.8	19,098	15,487	81.1	5,446	35.2	10,041	64.8		
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	15,144	14,699	97.1	5,903	36.1	9,396	63.9	35,070	17,770	50.7	6,341	35.7	11,438	64.3		
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	13,362	13,362	100.0	5,247	39.3	8,115	60.7	14,480	7,835	54.1	3,438	43.9	4,397	56.1		
Congregational Churches (part).....	13,209	13,209	100.0	5,071	38.4	8,138	61.6	11,980	11,952	99.9	4,613	38.6	7,330	61.4		
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	13,077	13,077	100.0	5,536	42.3	7,541	57.7	18,068	18,068	100.0	8,405	46.5	9,663	53.5		
Disciples of Christ (part).....	11,478	8,871	77.3	3,360	37.9	5,511	62.1	9,705	9,651	99.4	3,849	39.9	5,802	60.1		
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	10,120	9,889	97.7	4,079	41.2	5,810	58.8	7,545	7,545	100.0	3,380	44.8	4,165	55.2		
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	9,628	9,351	97.1	3,556	38.0	5,795	62.0	3,524	3,524	100.0	1,395	39.6	2,129	60.4		
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	6,225	6,225	100.0	2,250	36.1	3,975	63.9	1,835	1,835	100.0	740	40.3	1,095	60.7		
All other bodies.....	39,425	38,522	97.7	14,611	37.9	23,911	62.1	42,653	39,736	93.2	15,228	38.3	24,510	61.7		

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

From this table it appears that the per cent of membership for which sex distribution was reported in 1916 was, as a rule, higher than in 1906 in those denominations composed wholly of Negro organizations. In the other bodies failure to report was greater in 1916; the per cent of membership reported by sex in the Northern Baptist Convention dropped from 91.3 to 84.3; in the Methodist Episcopal Church from 88.1 to 56.3; in the Roman Catholic Church from 92.7 to 67.9; and in the Protestant Episcopal Church from 81.1 to 72.5.

The per cent of males in the membership for the Negro bodies as a whole rose from 37.6 in 1906 to 38.2 in 1916, but out of the 17 denominations shown in the table 10 showed a decrease in the proportion of males, the decrease being especially marked in the Colored Free Will Baptists, the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church, and the Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.

The denominations showing the highest proportion

of males in 1916—the Roman Catholic Church with 44.8 per cent, the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church with 42.3 per cent, and the Christian Church (Christian Convention), with 41.2 per cent—also had the highest proportion of males in 1906. The denominations showing the lowest proportion of males in 1916 were the Colored Primitive Baptists and the Free Christian Zion Church of Christ, each with 36.1 per cent, and the Protestant Episcopal Church, with 36.2 per cent. Two of these bodies—the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Colored Primitive Baptist Church—also showed the lowest proportion of males in 1906.

*Church edifices and value of property.*—The next two tables show, for the Negro organizations in the specified denominations, the number of church edifices and the value of church property, respectively, for 1916, 1906, and 1890; the per cent distribution for each of the three years; and the number and per cent of increase for each of the three periods.

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TABLE 52.—CHURCH EDIFICES IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—CHURCH EDIFICES REPORTED.											
	Number.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Num-ber.	Per cent.	Num-ber.	Per cent.	Num-ber.	Per cent.
Total.....	37,371	35,160	23,770	100.0	100.0	100.0	13,601	57.2	2,211	6.3	11,390	47.9
Baptists—National Convention.....	20,140	17,913	11,987	53.9	50.9	50.4	8,159	68.1	2,233	12.5	5,926	49.4
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,302	6,538	4,124	16.9	18.6	17.3	2,178	52.8	—236	—3.6	2,414	58.5
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	3,624	3,872	2,800	9.7	10.4	11.8	824	29.4	—48	—1.3	872	31.1
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	2,495	2,131	1,587	6.7	6.1	6.7	908	57.2	364	17.1	544	34.3
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,490	2,327	1,653	6.7	6.6	7.0	837	50.6	103	7.0	674	40.8
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	139	106	324	0.4	0.3	1.4	—185	—57.1	33	31.1	—218	—67.3
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	79	36	27	0.2	0.1	0.1	52	(2)	43	(2)	9	(2)
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	353	353	200	0.9	1.1	0.8	153	78.5	—30	—7.8	183	91.5
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	196	171	53	0.5	0.5	0.2	143	(2)	25	14.6	118	(2)
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	236	501	291	0.6	1.4	1.2	—55	—18.9	—265	—52.9	210	72.2
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	164	152	.....	0.4	0.4	.....	164	.....	12	7.9	152	.....
Congregational Churches (part).....	141	137	69	0.4	0.4	0.3	72	(2)	4	2.9	68	(2)
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	132	195	183	0.4	0.6	0.8	—61	—27.9	—63	—32.3	12	6.6
Disciples of Christ (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	125	115	183	0.3	0.3	0.8	—58	—31.7	10	8.7	—68	—37.2
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	109	91	54	0.3	0.3	0.2	55	(2)	18	(2)	37	(2)
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellow-ship <sup>2</sup> .....	60	33	.....	0.2	0.1	.....	60	.....	27	(2)	33	.....
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	14	.....	0.1	(4)	.....	35	.....	21	(3)	14	.....
All other bodies.....	545	645	235	1.5	1.8	1.0	310	131.9	—100	—15.5	410	174.5

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> Per cent not shown where base is less than 100.<sup>3</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>4</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

TABLE 53.—VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—VALUE OF CHURCH PROPERTY REPORTED.											
	Amount.			Per cent distribution.			Increase. <sup>1</sup>					
							1890-1916		1906-1916		1890-1906	
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.	Amount.	Per cent.
Total.....	\$86,809,970	\$56,636,159	\$26,626,448	100.0	100.0	100.0	\$80,183,522	226.0	\$30,173,811	53.3	\$30,000,711	112.7
Baptists—National Convention.....	41,184,920	24,437,272	9,038,549	47.4	43.1	33.9	32,146,371	355.7	16,747,648	68.5	15,398,723	170.4
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	14,631,792	11,303,489	6,468,250	16.9	20.0	24.3	8,163,512	126.2	3,328,303	29.4	4,835,209	74.8
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	8,047,197	6,104,379	3,630,093	9.3	10.8	13.6	4,417,104	121.7	1,942,818	31.8	2,474,286	63.2
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	7,591,393	4,833,207	2,714,128	8.7	8.5	10.2	4,877,205	179.7	2,765,186	57.1	2,110,079	78.1
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	5,619,862	3,017,849	1,713,366	6.5	5.3	6.4	3,906,496	228.0	2,602,013	86.2	1,304,483	76.1
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	2,779,199	1,561,326	1,087,518	3.2	2.8	4.1	1,601,681	155.6	1,217,873	78.0	473,808	43.6
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	1,173,372	678,480	237,400	1.4	1.2	0.9	935,972	394.3	494,892	72.9	441,080	185.8
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	1,278,148	752,387	391,650	1.5	1.3	1.5	884,498	225.8	523,761	69.6	360,737	92.1
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	1,527,768	1,773,279	192,750	1.8	3.1	0.7	1,335,018	692.6	—245,511	—13.8	1,580,529	820.0
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	154,690	296,539	135,427	0.2	0.5	0.5	19,263	14.2	—141,849	—47.8	101,112	119.0
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	178,385	79,278	.....	0.2	0.1	.....	178,385	.....	99,107	125.0	79,278	.....
Congregational Churches (part).....	843,513	459,497	246,125	1.0	0.8	0.9	567,393	242.7	384,021	53.6	213,372	80.7
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	230,426	203,778	105,826	0.3	0.4	0.7	34,600	17.7	26,948	13.1	7,652	4.1
Disciples of Christ (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	246,730	170,265	176,795	0.3	0.3	0.7	69,935	39.6	76,466	44.9	—6,530	—3.7
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	156,226	69,505	23,500	0.2	0.1	0.1	132,726	564.8	86,721	124.8	46,005	195.8
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	78,955	32,875	.....	0.1	0.1	.....	78,955	.....	46,080	140.2	32,875	.....
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35,900	5,975	.....	(2)	(2)	.....	35,900	.....	29,925	500.8	5,975	.....
All other bodies.....	1,053,489	856,779	375,041	1.2	1.5	1.4	678,448	180.9	198,710	23.0	481,738	128.4

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.<sup>3</sup> Less than one-tenth of 1 per cent.

According to these tables, there were 37,371 church edifices and property to the value of \$86,809,970 reported in 1916. The five bodies ranking highest, both as to number of edifices and value of church property are: The National Baptist Convention, reporting 53.9 per cent of church edifices and 47.4

per cent of the value of church property; the African Methodist Episcopal Church, with 16.9 per cent both of edifices and church property; the Negro organizations in the Methodist Episcopal Church, with 9.7 per cent of church edifices and 9.3 per cent of church property; the African Methodist Episcopal Zion

Church, with 6.7 and 8.7 per cent, respectively; and the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, with 6.7 and 6.5 per cent, respectively. These five bodies together comprised 93.9 per cent of the total number of church edifices and 88.8 per cent of the total value of property in 1916.

As shown by the tables, the total increase in number of church edifices was 2,211, or 6.3 per cent, from 1906 to 1916; and 11,390, or 47.9 per cent, from 1890 to 1906. This wide difference in the increase in the number of church edifices in the latter period as compared with the first is due partly, as explained on page 44, to the difference of 6 years covered by the two periods, and partly to the consolidation of church organizations which necessarily affected the increase in number of church edifices. Notwithstanding the difference of 6 years in the two periods, the amount of increase in the value of church property in the later period was slightly greater than that of the earlier one, or \$30,173,811 from 1906 to 1916, and \$30,009,711 from 1890 to 1906. Much the greatest absolute increase for both edifices and value of property for the two periods is shown by the National Baptist Convention, namely, an increase of 2,233 edifices and \$16,747,648 in value of property during the period 1906-1916, and 5,926 edifices and \$15,398,723 in value of church property during the period 1890-1906. The highest percentage of increase in number of edifices, from 1906 to 1916, is shown by the Negro organizations in the Northern Baptist Convention—31.1 per cent—while for value of church property the Free

Christian Zion Church of Christ showed an increase of 500.8 per cent for the same period.

The bodies showing a decrease, from 1906 to 1916, in the number of church edifices were the Colored Primitive Baptists, the African Methodist Episcopal Church, the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church, the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America. The cause of this decrease in some denominations was the consolidation of organizations and the elimination of weak congregations; the situation in the Colored Primitive Baptists has already been referred to (p. 131); in other bodies there appears to have been considerable readjustment. That there has been no serious loss is evident from the substantial increase in membership and in value of church property. The only body besides the Colored Primitive Baptists showing a decrease in value of church property is the Protestant Episcopal Church, a decrease, from 1906 to 1916, of \$245,511, or 13.8 per cent. This decrease is due mainly to the failure of a few large Negro churches to report this item.

*Debt on church property.*—The following table shows for 1916 and 1906, for the Negro organizations in the selected denominations, first, the number of organizations reporting debt and the percentage which they form of the organizations reporting value of property; second, the value of church property, the amount of debt reported, and the per cent the debt represents of the value; and, third, the increase in debt from 1906 to 1916.

TABLE 54.—DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY REPORTED IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING DEBT ON CHURCH PROPERTY.				1916			1906			INCREASE <sup>1</sup> IN DEBT REPORTED: 1906 TO 1916.	
	Number.		Per cent of Negro organizations reporting value.		Value of church property reported.	Debt reported.		Value of church property reported.	Debt reported.		Amount.	Per cent.
	1916	1906	1916	1906		Amount.	Per cent of value.		Amount.	Per cent of value.		
Total.....	10,165	9,003	27.3	26.0	\$86,868,970	\$7,938,095	9.1	\$56,636,159	\$5,005,905	8.8	\$2,932,190	58.6
Baptists—National Convention.....	4,210	3,100	20.9	17.3	41,184,920	3,433,366	8.3	24,437,272	1,757,190	7.2	1,676,176	95.4
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,437	2,574	39.1	40.9	14,631,792	1,518,332	10.4	11,303,489	1,191,921	10.5	326,411	27.4
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	1,316	1,372	38.5	38.3	8,047,197	846,012	10.5	6,104,379	611,166	10.0	234,846	38.4
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	793	724	32.0	34.4	7,591,393	795,437	10.5	4,833,207	474,269	9.8	321,168	67.7
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	828	692	32.5	30.6	5,619,862	311,066	5.5	3,017,849	215,111	7.1	95,955	44.6
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	69	55	50.0	56.7	2,779,199	451,058	16.2	1,561,326	356,993	22.9	94,065	26.3
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	23	8	31.5	25.0	1,173,372	182,400	15.5	678,480	75,650	11.1	106,750	141.1
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	30	59	22.2	16.2	1,276,148	59,291	4.6	752,387	39,208	5.2	20,083	51.2
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	40	28	21.3	17.6	1,527,768	94,908	6.2	1,773,279	113,246	6.4	-18,338	-16.2
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	46	34	28.0	6.7	154,090	8,507	5.5	296,639	6,968	2.3	1,539	22.1
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	35	22	20.8	14.6	178,385	9,525	5.3	79,278	3,485	4.4	6,040	173.3
Congregational Churches (part).....	36	32	26.3	23.4	843,518	42,987	5.1	459,497	32,106	7.0	10,881	33.9
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	11	18	8.5	9.4	230,426	7,576	3.3	203,778	10,407	5.1	-2,831	-27.2
Disciples of Christ (part).....	30	29	31.6	25.0	246,730	21,626	8.8	170,265	16,898	9.9	4,728	28.0
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	29	16	27.1	17.8	156,226	18,887	12.1	69,505	2,460	3.5	16,427	687.8
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	14	8	23.3	23.5	78,955	7,380	9.3	32,875	1,810	5.5	5,570	307.7
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	13	7	37.1	53.8	35,900	1,700	4.7	5,975	1,150	19.2	550	47.0
All other bodies.....	155	225	27.3	36.1	1,053,489	128,037	12.2	856,779	95,867	11.2	32,170	33.6

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

The total amount of debt reported by the Negro church organizations was \$7,938,095 for 1916 and \$5,005,905 for 1906, an increase of \$2,932,190, or 58.6 per cent. Inquiry concerning debt was not made in 1890. The organizations reporting debt represented 27.3 per cent of the total number of Negro organizations reporting value of church property in 1916, as against 26 per cent in 1906; and the amount of debt reported represented 9.1 per cent of the value of property in 1916, as against 8.8 per cent in 1906. In the Northern Baptist Convention 50 per cent of the Negro organizations reporting church property in 1916 also reported debt, as compared with 56.7 per cent in 1906. This denomination also reported the

highest percentage of debt, as compared with value, at the two censuses, the Roman Catholic showing the next highest. The denomination showing the lowest percentage of debt in 1916 is the Colored Cumberland Presbyterian, with 3.3 per cent, as against 5.1 per cent in 1906. The National Baptist Convention reported the largest increase in amount of debt—\$1,676,176.

*Parsonages.*—The following table shows, for 1916 and 1906, for the Negro organizations in the selected denominations, the number of organizations reporting parsonages and the per cent they represent of the total number of organizations, the value of parsonages reported, the increase in value from 1906 to 1916, and the average value per organization reporting.

TABLE 55.—VALUE OF PARSONAGES REPORTED BY NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

(The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.)

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING PARSONAGES.				VALUE OF PARSONAGES REPORTED.					
	Number.		Per cent of total Negro organizations.		Amount.		Increase: 1906 to 1916.		Average per organization reporting.	
	1916	1906	1916	1906	1916	1906	Amount.	Per cent.	1916	1906
Total.....	5,299	4,779	13.4	13.0	\$6,231,459	\$3,727,884	\$2,503,575	67.2	\$1,176	\$780
Baptists—National Convention.....	690	709	3.3	3.8	964,325	617,241	347,084	56.2	1,398	871
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	1,807	1,783	28.1	28.8	2,025,552	1,255,246	770,306	61.4	1,085	704
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	1,359	1,206	36.7	32.2	1,175,675	777,715	397,960	51.2	865	645
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	485	348	17.9	15.8	632,416	350,690	281,726	80.3	1,304	1,008
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	525	421	20.0	17.7	552,106	237,547	314,559	132.4	1,052	564
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	23	17	16.2	15.7	95,600	35,500	60,100	169.3	4,157	2,088
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	56	22	62.2	61.1	273,550	109,490	164,150	150.0	4,885	4,973
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	90	75	20.7	18.0	146,100	66,430	79,670	119.9	1,623	886
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	67	58	30.9	20.3	182,000	161,950	20,050	10.3	2,716	2,844
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>1</sup> .....	12	21	3.6	2.6	13,940	10,095	3,845	38.1	1,162	481
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	47	6	30.5	2.4	95,570	1,475	-1,475	107.2	2,033	246
Congregational Churches (part).....	6	8	4.4	4.1	8,100	5,825	2,275	39.1	1,350	728
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	8	4	4.9	3.1	5,450	1,950	3,500	179.5	681	488
Disciples of Christ (part).....	2	3	1.8	3.3	4,000	600	3,400	566.7	2,000	200
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	13	2	37.1	13.3	8,500	450	8,050	( <sup>3</sup> )	654	225
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>3</sup> .....	49	60	6.8	7.4	48,575	46,645	1,930	4.1	991	777
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....										
All other bodies.....										

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

<sup>3</sup> Per cent not shown where more than 1,000.

The total number of Negro organizations reporting parsonages in 1916 was 5,299 as against 4,779 in 1906, and these organizations represented practically the same proportion (about 13 per cent) of the total Negro organizations at each census. The value of parsonages reported in 1916 was \$6,231,459, an increase of \$2,503,575, or 67.2 per cent, over the amount for 1906, and the average value per organization increased from \$780 in 1906 to \$1,176 in 1916.

Parsonages were reported by nearly two-thirds (62.2 per cent) of the Negro organizations in the Roman Catholic Church, by more than one-third (about 37 per cent) of the organizations in the Free Christian Zion Church of Christ, and the Negro organizations in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and by slightly less than one-third (about 31 per cent) of those in the Protestant Episcopal Church and the Congregational Churches. All but 2 of the denominations presented in the table

showed an increase in the proportion of organizations reporting parsonages. Two denominations—Colored Free Will Baptists and the Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship—reported no parsonages in 1916, and the same was true of the latter in 1906.

The small percentage of organizations reporting parsonages is due probably to the fact that the Negro churches, especially in the South, are generally located in rural districts, and to the further fact, as stated in connection with the tables relating to ministers, that a large number of the pastors do not depend upon the salaries received from the churches for their support, but engage in other occupations, very largely farming. This is especially noticeable in regard to the National Baptist Convention, in which body only 3.3 per cent of the churches reported any parsonages at all, while the average value of those reported was \$1,398, showing that they were evidently chiefly urban in location.

Of the total value of parsonages reported—\$6,231,-459—the African Methodist Episcopal Church reported \$2,025,552, and the Negro organizations of the Methodist Episcopal Church \$1,175,675, these two Methodist bodies representing over 50 per cent of the total value. The highest average value of parsonages was reported by the Negro organizations of the Roman Catholic Church (\$4,885) and the Northern Baptist Convention (\$4,157). The denominations showing the lowest average values are the Free Christian Zion Church of Christ, \$654, and the Disciples of Christ, \$681.

*Expenditures.*—The following table gives for 1916 the number and per cent of Negro organizations in the specified denominations reporting church expenditures, the amount reported, and the average per organization reporting.

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING EXPENDITURES: 1916.		EXPENDITURES: 1916.	
	Num-ber.	Per cent of total Negro organizations.	Amount.	Average per organization reporting.
Total.....	37,660	95.0	\$18,529,827	\$492
Baptists—National Convention.....	19,988	94.7	8,361,919	418
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,516	98.2	3,413,395	524
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	3,039	98.2	1,670,407	459
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	2,641	97.2	1,700,737	644
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,613	99.7	1,736,092	665
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	136	95.8	381,457	2,805
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	70	77.8	262,112	3,744
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	414	95.4	204,944	495
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	200	92.2	218,912	1,095
Colored Primitive Baptists.....	170	50.6	22,881	135
Colored Free Will Baptists.....	108	98.8	36,647	218
Congregational Churches (part).....	139	90.3	99,503	716
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	127	93.4	39,497	311
Disciples of Christ (part).....	96	59.3	53,798	560
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part).....	103	92.8	36,338	353
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship.....	62	40.0	18,812	303
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	100.0	19,154	547
All other bodies.....	543	75.1	262,622	465

As all church organizations must have some running expenses, it is evident from the table that 5 per cent of the Negro organizations failed to make report. With the exception of 4 denominations shown in the table, a report was made by more than 90 per cent of the organizations in each denomination. The report for these 4 denominations was very small, being only 40 per cent for the Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship, 50.6 per cent for the Colored Primitive Baptists, 59.3 per cent for the Negro organizations in the Disciples of Christ and 77.8 percent for those in the Roman Catholic Church. The total amount expended by the 95 per cent of Negro organizations in 1916 was \$18,529,827, of which somewhat more than \$8,000,000 was reported by the National Baptist Convention, more than \$3,000,000 by the African Methodist Episcopal Church, and over \$1,500,-000 each by the 3 Methodist bodies following next in order of number of members. The highest averages

per organization reporting are for 3 bodies which are composed in part only of Negro organizations and in which there are no separate Negro ecclesiastical subdivisions, namely, the Roman Catholic Church, \$3,744, the Northern Baptist Convention, \$2,805, and the Protestant Episcopal Church, \$1,095. The highest average for a wholly Negro body is \$665 for the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, followed by the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, \$644, the Free Christian Zion Church of Christ, \$547, and the African Methodist Episcopal Church, \$524.

*Sunday schools.*—The following table shows, for 1916 and 1906, the number and per cent of Negro organizations in the specified denominations reporting Sunday schools, the number of schools, of officers and teachers, and of scholars reported, with the increase in the number of scholars.

According to this table, 92.8 per cent of the total number of Negro organizations reported Sunday schools in 1916 as against 91.2 per cent in 1906. The table shows that there was an increase in the number of schools reported, with a corresponding increase in the number of officers and teachers and in the number of scholars, the gain in the latter case amounting to 413,744, or 23.8 per cent. The increase in the number of Negro organizations reporting Sunday schools from 33,538 to 36,797, or 9.7 per cent, and a percentage of increase of 23.8 in the number of scholars may be compared with the increase of 7.8 per cent in number of Negro organizations and of 24.7 in number of members. From these percentages it appears that the growth in number of church organizations was less rapid than in number of Sunday schools, but that the increase in number of scholars did not keep pace with the increase in number of church members. These percentages would indicate that the rapid extension of Sunday school work, shown on page 60, for all denominations, irrespective of race, is taking place among the white and not among the Negro organizations. It is to be remembered, however, that the period covered by the last enumeration was a period of some disorganization among Negro churches, the effects of which, as previously noted, are shown to a marked degree in the Colored Primitive Baptists and in several of the minor bodies.

In the National Baptist Convention the per cent of the total organizations reporting Sunday schools was the same at the two periods; in the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church it rose from 92.7 to 96.9; in the Northern Baptist Convention, from 94.4 to 96.5; in the Colored Free Will Baptists, from 39.8 to 51.2; and in the Disciples of Christ, from 86 to 92. In the Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship, it fell from 90.6 to 63.9 per cent.

The National Baptist Convention comprised more than one-half of the total number of Sunday schools and of scholars and nearly one-half of the total number of officers and teachers. The next largest

numbers were reported by the African Methodist Episcopal Church, the Negro organizations in the Methodist Episcopal Church, the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, and the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, these four Methodist denominations and the National Baptist Convention together representing more than 93 per cent, respectively, of the total number of Sunday schools, of officers and

teachers, and of scholars. In order of increase in the number of scholars, the National Baptist Convention reported 256,605, or 27.8 per cent; the Colored Methodist Episcopal Church, 75,423, or 81.6 per cent; the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church, 27,410, or 25.5 per cent; the African Methodist Episcopal Church, 18,362, or 6.3 per cent; and the Negro organizations in the Methodist Episcopal Church, 10,172, or 5 per cent.

TABLE 57.—SUNDAY SCHOOLS, OFFICERS AND TEACHERS, AND SCHOLARS REPORTED BY NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY SPECIFIED DENOMINATIONS: 1916 AND 1906.

[The denominations presented in this table reported 5,000 or more members in 1916.]

DENOMINATION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS REPORTING SUNDAY SCHOOLS.				1916			1906			INCREASE <sup>1</sup> IN NUMBER OF SCHOLARS: 1906 TO 1916.	
	Number.		Per cent of total Negro organizations.		Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number of Sunday schools reported.	Number of officers and teachers.	Number of scholars.	Number.	Per cent.
	1916	1906	1916	1906								
Total.....	36,797	33,538	92.8	91.2	37,426	247,804	2,153,843	34,681	210,148	1,740,099	413,744	23.8
Baptists—National Convention.....	19,909	17,478	94.3	94.3	20,099	123,817	1,181,270	17,910	100,069	924,665	256,605	27.8
African Methodist Episcopal Church.....	6,084	6,056	91.7	91.1	6,277	45,350	311,051	6,285	41,941	282,689	18,362	6.3
Methodist Episcopal Church (part).....	3,490	3,522	94.2	93.9	3,614	25,906	214,982	3,745	20,044	204,810	10,172	5.0
African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church.....	2,535	2,060	93.3	93.5	2,544	18,982	135,102	2,602	18,245	107,692	27,410	25.5
Colored Methodist Episcopal Church.....	2,541	2,207	96.9	92.7	2,543	18,890	167,880	2,328	12,375	92,457	75,423	81.6
Baptists—Northern Convention (part).....	137	102	96.5	94.4	138	1,969	20,705	106	1,382	12,827	7,878	61.4
Roman Catholic Church (part).....	74	30	82.2	83.8	84	453	9,655	33	220	3,151	6,504	206.4
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America (part).....	414	405	95.4	97.1	430	2,905	27,618	433	2,791	24,904	2,714	10.9
Protestant Episcopal Church (part).....	194	180	89.4	90.9	201	1,384	15,932	188	1,139	13,779	2,153	15.6
Colored Primitive Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	87	166	25.9	20.8	88	406	3,201	166	911	6,224	-3,023	-48.6
Colored Free Will Baptists <sup>2</sup> .....	87	100	51.2	39.8	90	483	4,168	100	382	3,307	801	26.0
Congregational Churches (part).....	148	150	96.1	96.2	162	1,093	10,352	174	1,056	10,330	13	0.1
Colored Cumberland Presbyterian Church.....	133	192	97.8	98.0	139	928	7,471	192	983	6,652	619	7.5
Disciples of Christ (part).....	149	111	92.0	86.0	175	850	7,219	117	639	4,319	2,900	67.1
Christian Church (Christian Convention) (part) <sup>2</sup> .....	105	87	94.6	94.6	106	640	6,834	88	447	4,001	2,833	70.8
Church of the Living God, Christian Workers for Fellowship <sup>2</sup> .....	99	48	63.9	90.6	99	296	2,328	49	143	1,175	1,153	98.1
Free Christian Zion Church of Christ.....	35	7	100.0	46.7	35	288	3,411	7	63	340	3,071	903.2
All other bodies.....	576	637	79.7	79.0	602	3,184	24,664	668	3,318	26,468	-1,804	-6.8

<sup>1</sup> A minus sign (—) denotes decrease.

<sup>2</sup> For changes in denominations, see pp. 530 and 531.

#### MEMBERSHIP BY STATES.

Table 58 gives the membership of Negro organizations, by states, arranged according to the highest membership in 1916, with the membership and relative position of each state at the two censuses of 1906 and 1890.

From this table it appears that in 1916, as in 1906 and 1890, the largest membership of Negro organizations was shown in the Southern states, Georgia leading at each period. Alabama, which ranked third in 1890, rose to second place in 1906 and 1916; South Carolina, which was second in 1890, ranked third in 1906 and 1916; Mississippi, which was sixth in 1890, ranked fourth in 1906 and 1916; and Texas rose from seventh place in 1890 and 1906 to fifth in 1916.

These five states, Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina, Mississippi, and Texas, reported 50 per cent or more of the entire membership of Negro organizations at each period; while these, with North Carolina, Virginia, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Florida, and Kentucky reported, in 1916, more than four-fifths (85 per cent) of such membership in the United States. If the membership for Oklahoma, Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, and West Virginia be

included, thus completing the membership reported for the South Atlantic and both South Central divisions, a total of 4,143,296, or 90 per cent of the total membership of Negro organizations in the United States, was reported by these 17 states as against 91.6 per cent in 1906 and 93.2 per cent in 1890. The only Northern state reporting over 100,000 members of Negro organizations in 1916 was Pennsylvania, with 108,672 members.

The District of Columbia more than doubled its Negro membership from 1890 to 1906, but the increase in 1916 was comparatively slight.

North Dakota and Vermont reported no members of Negro church organizations at any of the three censuses; Idaho and Nevada reported for the first time in 1916, and New Hampshire and South Dakota for the first time in 1906. In general, a continuous, if not uniform, increase is shown for the two periods. North Carolina, Michigan, Oregon, and Wyoming show a decrease in 1906 as against 1890, but in each of these states, except Oregon, the loss was more than made up in the period 1906 to 1916. Indiana, Massachusetts, South Dakota, and Maine show a decrease in 1916, as compared with 1906.



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TABLE 58.—TOTAL MEMBERS IN NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS, BY STATES: 1916, 1906, AND 1890.

NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—MEMBERS.							NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—MEMBERS.						
STATE.	1916		1906		1890		STATE.	1916		1906		1890	
	Number.	Rank.	Number.	Rank.	Number.	Rank.		Number.	Rank.	Number.	Rank.	Number.	Rank.
Total <sup>1</sup> .....	4,602,805	.....	3,691,844	.....	2,676,539	.....	Indiana.....	20,833	24	23,133	22	13,404	20
Georgia.....	581,724	1	507,235	1	341,433	1	Delaware.....	10,989	25	10,879	25	6,595	24
Alabama.....	475,140	2	397,243	2	297,161	3	Massachusetts.....	8,610	26	9,402	26	3,638	27
South Carolina.....	447,084	3	394,179	3	317,020	2	Michigan.....	8,469	27	3,235	30	3,957	25
Mississippi.....	403,881	4	359,001	4	224,404	6	California.....	6,906	28	4,564	27	3,720	28
Texas.....	396,157	5	227,685	7	186,038	7	Connecticut.....	6,292	29	4,492	28	1,624	30
North Carolina.....	359,380	6	283,717	6	290,755	4	Iowa.....	5,313	30	4,108	29	2,643	28
Virginia.....	328,230	7	307,463	5	238,617	5	Colorado.....	4,443	31	2,507	31	1,171	31
Arkansas.....	242,199	8	146,319	10	106,445	10	Minnesota.....	2,629	32	1,453	33	958	32
Louisiana.....	209,843	9	187,500	8	108,872	9	Rhode Island.....	2,590	33	2,114	32	1,999	29
Tennessee.....	190,022	10	172,972	9	131,015	8	Nebraska.....	2,070	34	1,007	34	399	34
Florida.....	138,055	11	106,141	12	64,837	12	Washington.....	1,204	35	614	35	60	39
Kentucky.....	137,211	12	117,373	11	92,768	11	Wisconsin.....	575	36	310	36	298	36
Pennsylvania.....	108,672	13	90,476	14	26,753	15	Arizona.....	532	37	208	38	155	37
Maryland.....	87,179	14	72,532	13	58,566	13	Montana.....	310	38	135	40	32	42
Missouri.....	76,792	15	50,165	15	42,452	14	Oregon.....	291	39	160	39	291	35
Oklahoma.....	59,967	16	49,153	20	4,880	33	New Mexico.....	231	40	221	37	62	40
Illinois.....	49,033	17	32,058	18	15,035	19	Wyoming.....	189	41	45	41	154	38
Ohio.....	49,053	18	33,719	17	19,827	17	Utah.....	86	42	30	43	7	43
District of Columbia.....	48,377	19	47,119	16	22,965	16	Idaho.....	50	43	.....	.....	.....	.....
New York.....	43,921	20	30,857	19	17,216	18	New Hampshire.....	39	44	20	45	.....	.....
New Jersey.....	38,839	21	28,015	21	12,720	21	South Dakota.....	18	45	38	42	.....	.....
West Virginia.....	21,858	22	14,949	24	7,160	23	Maine.....	17	46	25	44	45	41
Kansas.....	21,842	23	17,273	23	9,750	22	Nevada.....	5	47	.....	.....	.....	.....

<sup>1</sup> North Dakota and Vermont had no Negro organizations in 1916, 1906, or 1890.

<sup>2</sup> Corrected figures; see explanation on p. 29 for change in number of members of the Roman Catholic Church.

<sup>3</sup> Corrected figures (see explanation on p. 29); also includes 2,562 members of the Roman Catholic Negro organizations, not distributed by states.

<sup>4</sup> Oklahoma and Indian Territory combined.

Table 59 shows a geographic distribution of the members of Negro church organizations.

DIVISION.	NEGRO ORGANIZATIONS—MEMBERS.			PER CENT DISTRIBUTION.		
	1916	1906	1890	1916	1906	1890
United States.....	4,602,805	3,691,844	2,676,539	100.0	100.0	100.0
New England.....	17,548	16,053	7,306	0.4	0.4	0.3
Middle Atlantic.....	191,432	119,348	56,689	4.2	3.2	2.1
East North Central.....	128,613	92,455	53,091	2.8	2.5	2.0
West North Central.....	107,664	74,044	56,202	2.3	2.0	2.1
South Atlantic.....	2,022,876	1,744,214	1,347,448	43.9	47.2	50.3
East South Central.....	1,212,254	1,046,589	745,348	26.3	28.3	27.8
West South Central.....	908,166	590,657	402,235	19.7	16.0	15.0
Mountain.....	5,851	3,146	1,581	0.1	0.1	0.1
Pacific.....	8,401	5,338	4,077	0.2	0.1	0.2

<sup>1</sup> Corrected figures; see explanatory footnotes to Table 58.

An examination of the table shows that, while the South Atlantic division comprised the largest membership at each of the three censuses, there was a very uniform decrease in the proportions. The East South Central division, which comprised the next highest number of members, showed a smaller proportion in 1916 than in 1906 or 1890, but the proportion in 1906 was slightly in excess of that in 1890. The West South Central division, which was third in number of members, differed from the other two southern divisions by showing a gradual increase in the proportions. Outside of the three southern divisions, the changes in the proportions were very slight, but with a general tendency toward increase.